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The Ben Mere Bandstand in Sunapee Harbor

For The Year Ending
December 31, 2000

About the Picture on the Cover

The Ben Mere Bandstand in Sunapee Harbor was constructed in 1987 thanks to many contributions from the residents and businesses of the Town. It has been used since then for many concerts, weddings and gatherings. The Sunapee Gardeners, along with Sunapee Middle High School students, decorate it each winter holiday season. Paul Howe provided this excellent night photo of the Bandstand.

IN MEMORIAM

DEXTER O. COLLINS, SR.

Dexter Collins served as Road Agent for the Georges Mills end of Town from 1943 and the center of Town from 1945 to his retirement in 1971. He died January 27, 2000.

JEAN W. PUTONEN

Jean Putonen served the Town in many capacities. Her elected positions include Selectman from 1993 to 1998; School Clerk from 1964 to 1997; Town Clerk from 1964 to 1986, and Tax Collector from 1974 to 1986. She also served on many appointed community committees. She died January 28, 2000.

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TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR

Harry Gale, Jr.

Term Expires 2002

SELECTMEN

Frederick C. Gallup, Chairman

Term Expires 2001

William H. Chalmers

Term Expires 2003

William Roach

Term Expires 2003

J. William Scharff

Term Expires 2002

Dennis R. Wiggins

Term Expires 2001

TOWN MANAGER

John B. Wheeler

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

Betty H. Ramspott

Term Expires 2003

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

Eileen Stiles

TREASURER

Francis C. Gallup

Term Expires 2001

POLICE CHIEF

Christopher T. Domian

ROAD AGENT

J. Anthony Bergeron

Term Expires 2001

WELFARE DIRECTOR

Don Wrightington

BALLOT CLERKS

Justine Cutting

Republican

Robert Haselton, Jr.

Republican

John V. Chesson

Democrat

Sally J. Putonen

Democrat

BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Charles Balyeat

Term Expires 2001

Charlotte Brown

Term Expires 2001

David Montambeault

Term Expires 2003

Tina Naimie

Term Expires 2002

Emma Smith

Term Expires 2002

CABLE CONTRACT STUDY COMMITTEE

Patricia Brown	Term Expires 2003
Charles Carey	Term Expires 2003
Douglas Munro	Term Expires 2003

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Charles F. Smith	Term Expires 2002
Brenda Franzen	Term Expires 2001
Jeffrey S. Trow	Term Expires 2003

COFFIN PARK COMMITTEE

Represented by Town Office Employees

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Van Webb, Chairman	Term Expires 2002
Bruce Burdett	Term Expires 2003
Robert Hill	Term Expires 2001
Emmons Jenkins, Jr.	Term Expires 2001
Robert E. Mastin, Jr.	Term Expires 2003
Dorothy Price	Term Expires 2001
Aaron Simpson	Term Expires 2002
Timothy Fleuy, Alternate	Term Expires 2002
Roger Whitaker, Alternate	Term Expires 2001

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Howard G. Sargent

FIRE DEPARTMENT ENGINEERS

Daniel R. Ruggles, Chief	Term Expires 2004
Duane Abbott	Term Expires 2003
Dana Ramspott	Term Expires 2002
David Williams	Term Expires 2001

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Daniel R. Ruggles	Term Expires 2001
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FOREST FIRE DEPUTY WARDENS

Duane Abbott	Term Expires 2001
Dana Ramspott	Term Expires 2001
Howard Sargent	Term Expires 2001
Mark Scott	Term Expires 2001

HEALTH OFFICER

John W. Wiggins
Michael Dashner, Deputy

Term Expires 2001
Term Expires 2003

HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE

J. Anthony Bergeron
Frederick C. Gallup
Stephen Gray
Daniel Ruggles
Christopher T. Domian

Road Agent
Selectman
Highway Engineer
Fire Chief
Police Chief

JOINT LOSS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Eileen Dexter, Chairman
Patricia Hand
Christopher T. Domian
Raymond Teague

Term Expires 2001
Term Expires 2001
Term Expires 2002
Term Expires 2002

LIBRARIAN

Patricia D. Hand

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Louis Mario Capozzoli, appointed
Richard Eaton
Gerard Farland, resigned
Sandra Guest, resigned
Barbara Hollander, appointed
Elaine Rickard, appointed
Betty Ried
Emma Smith
Sarah Southard, appointed

Term Expires 2001
Term Expires 2003
Term Expires 2002
Term Expires 2001
Term Expires 2001
Term Expires 2001
Term Expires 2003
Term Expires 2002
Term Expires 2001

NH/VT SOLID WASTE PROJECT

Thomas J. Alexander
John B. Wheeler
Donald H. Garlock, Springfield

Representative
Alternate
Alternate

PLANNING/ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Michael Marquise

PLANNING BOARD

Margaret Chalmers, Chairman	Term Expires 2002
Katrina Hill	Term Expires 2001
Bruce Jennings	Term Expires 2001
Kevin Rickard	Term Expires 2003
Derek B. Tatlock	Term Expires 2003
Robert Ward	Term Expires 2002
John B. Wheeler, Ex-officio for Selectmen's appointee	
Barbara Hollander, Alternate	
Robert Reisberg, Alternate	

RECREATION DIRECTOR

Nicholas Memole

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Debi McGrath, Chairman	Term Expires 2002
Charles W. Weinstein, Jr.	Term Expires 2003
Paula Flanders	Term Expires 2001
Candy Saindon	Term Expires 2001
Christine Williams	Term Expires 2002

RIVERWALK COMMITTEE

Guy Alexander	Term Expires 2001
Janet Grevstad	Term Expires 2002
Joyce Hill	Term Expires 2002
Everett Pollard	Term Expires 2002
Louise Bonnie Quackenbos	Term Expires 2001
Richard H. Webb	Term Expires 2002

SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST

Jenny Dodd, appointed	Term Expires 2001
Kimberly Elder, resigned	Term Expires 2006
Jessica (Jay) G. Leavitt	Term Expires 2001
Devon Smith	Term Expires 2004

TOWN BUILDING COMMITTEE

Stephen McGrath, Chairman	Term Expires 2001
Robert Armstrong	Term Expires 2001
Katrina Hill	Term Expires 2001
Barbara Hollander	Term Expires 2001
Denise Preston	Term Expires 2001

TRANSFER RECYCLING COMMITTEE

Judith Balyeat	Term Expires 2001
J. Anthony Bergeron	Term Expires 2001
Thomas Bennett	Term Expires 2001
Robert W. Rieseberg	Term Expires 2001
Nancy Vandewart, Springfield Representative	

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Norman C. Logan, Chairman	Term Expires 2003
Daphne E. Church	Term Expires 2001
Edward Epremian	Term Expires 2002

UPPER VALLEY LAKE SUNAPEE **COUNCIL DIRECTORS**

Robert L. Ward	Term Expires 2001
James Elliott, resigned	Term Expires 2002

WATER & SEWER DEPARTMENT **SUPERINTENDENT**

David R. Brennan

WATER & SEWER COMMISSIONERS

David Montambeault, Chairman	Term Expires 2002
Aaron Simpson, Vice Chairman	Term Expires 2003
Marcus Allen	Term Expires 2003
Stuart H. Caswell	Term Expires 2002
Raymond Hudson	Term Expires 2001
M. Douglas Mason	Term Expires 2002
Ronald P. Wyman	Term Expires 2001

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

William Price, Chairman	Term Expires 2001
Emmons "Skip" Jenkins, Jr.	Term Expires 2002
Robert E. Mastin, Jr.	Term Expires 2003
Margaret Thompson	Term Expires 2001
Peter White	Term Expires 2003
William Chalmers, Alternate	
Robert Cook, Alternate	
Charles Hirshberg, Alternate	

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The year 2000 was a year of changes to the Board with the addition of two new members; Bill Roach and Dennis Wiggins, and the returning of Bill Chalmers. It has been a good year with new ideas and views as well as wisdom and experience. This year is the first year that the Board has had a vice chairman and I would like to thank Bill Scharff for doing a great job of filling in on occasion.

A few of the issues the board has dealt with this year:

- 1) Perkins Pond Sewer: Defeated at last year's town meeting by two votes, the board felt it was important to review the proposal and, with the state of many sewer systems in that area marginal at best opted for a special town meeting. Which resulted in defeat of the article. Realizing that the sewer problems have not gone away, the Board has continued to refine the project and with the recent agreement with the Jennings and Sunapee Springs Water Co., feel that the project is good for the town.
- 2) In late December 1999, Police Chief Soucy indicated his desire to be considered an appointed officer in accordance with the adopted Town Manager System under RSA 37. Town Counsel advised us that the position was to be appointed in accordance with the statute. After several intense discussions, we decided to remove the position of Police Chief from the ballot. Al was appointed Chief, but shortly there after submitted his resignation to be effective as soon as a new chief was appointed and working. The ability to screen applicants with a completely neutral board of examiners gave the board only the best candidates to interview and pick from. After interviewing, reviewing background checks, physical exams, and psychological checks, the Board approved the appointment of Chris Domian who was left with quite a task, first getting to know his department and his personnel, then finding and recommending an individual for the sergeant's position. I thank Chris for taking on the Chief's position and for his diligence in these first few months
- 3) This year the board has received many reports from the Building Committee keeping us updated on their progress on the highway garage project. Their diligence, many hours of site visits, and meetings with design-build consultants, have given us two good proposals and a workable budget to proceed with this project.
- 4) Now the County. Sullivan County has done the town of Sunapee very poorly for years and especially this year. Sunapee provides almost 20% of the County's taxes, based on our equalized property valuation, but receives way less than 20% of the services provided by the County. The Board has protested against this and has had many meetings with our Representatives

over this. I can't say that we have made a lot of progress, but I believe we have gotten some peoples' attention. We will continue our fight for some kind of overhaul of the assessment system with all the resources available to us.

On to the 2000 budget. This year you will see an increase, much to all our chagrin we were unable to continue to provide the service and continue to maintain the infrastructure of our town with out this increase. You will see that we have recommended most all of the articles feeling that what we bring to you are all important and for the good of the town.

Respectfully submitted,
Frederick C. Gallup, Chairman
Board of Selectmen

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

While reviewing what the Town did during the year 2000, I decided the year could be divided into State, County and Town related activities. The State had a considerable impact on my time through the State Education funding issue and Georges Mills Boat ramp; the County through greatly increased taxes, and the Town in many ways, as might be expected.

The State education funding impact was the raising and sending to Concord, of \$579,648 above and beyond that portion of the State tax that remained locally. \$1.39 (6.2%) of the property tax rate was needed to send that sum. The Board of Selectmen sponsored a debate in March between various representatives advocating different methods of raising the state funds for education. Sunapee joined with the Portsmouth Coalition of Communities to fund a study of the property valuation system in the state and methods used to equalize the valuations throughout the state. The study found that there were many variations in methods of valuing property used throughout the state and that the State was not succeeding in equalizing them all. The study was used in the lawsuit against the State. The Superior Court Judge Gallway ruled that the State Property Tax, as presently used, was unconstitutional and directed the State to refund all taxes raised under the tax. The State is about to appeal the decision to the Supreme Court. The Coalition Counsel feels the basic ruling will be upheld, but the refunding of the taxes seems rather doubtful. Hopefully, the court rulings will force the Legislature and State to find a new method of taxation that will bear a better relationship to ability to pay than the property tax. The Board of Selectmen is presently considering all legal steps that can be taken to escrow or hold onto this March's payment of \$579,648. If the system is not changed, 2000's payment, which would be collected in the 2001 taxes, actually goes down \$61,189, or 15 cents on the tax rate.

The State proposed to purchase the former Sargent property adjacent to Route 11, Cooper Street and Muzzey Brook at the head of Sunapee Lake in Georges Mills for parking if the Town would grant the State a permanent easement to the Georges Mills Boat Ramp. To make a long story short, after receiving a petition with 652 signatures opposing the easement and a straw vote taken at a well attended public meeting at the Sherburne Gymnasium, the Selectmen voted not to enter such a permanent agreement with the State due, in part, to the State's unwillingness to be subject to local Zoning requirements and the public's concerns of congestion and safety.

When the County Commissioners were working on their budget in early summer, we learned there was a deficit of \$1.3 million dollars from the prior year due primarily to over estimating nursing home income. This helped result in a 48% increase in the County tax Assessment from approximately \$1.1 to \$1.7 million! Later in the summer, the papers reported new assessors in Claremont discovered 5 to 8 million dollars of property had not been put on the Claremont valuation list. Sunapee has been listed as having just under 20% of the County Equalized valuation and Claremont just over 20%. We estimated the under valuation by Claremont caused Sunapee to be charged approximately \$4,000 more County taxes than it should have been. The Board voted to withhold such and notify the County and the Department of Revenue Administration of its objections to the incomplete property equalization and the resulting unfairness of the County taxing system. A hearing was held in January 2001, but we have not heard any result yet. In the mean time, Representative Leone has presented legislation to study the method of assessing County taxes and to consider changes to allow consideration of the amount of services provided to each community in the taxing procedure. As an aside, approximately 50% of the County expenses are charges from the State to the County, primarily for welfare. So not only is there the Town funded welfare program required to assist those who are not eligible for State assistance, but the State system funded largely by County taxes.

On the Local level, we were busy in many ways as you will learn from reading the individual reports throughout this 2000 Town Report. Some of the highlights follow:

Physical Improvements: The Highway Department, with the help of a local foundation contractor, replaced the sidewalk on Main Street between High Street and the Police Station. This required removing the old stone fill and wall with a new concrete wall and fill and finishing it with a granite curb, concrete sidewalk, and wood railing. Article 26 proposes funds to continue the Lower Main Street sidewalk improvements. Sunapee Harbor Riverway built a new footbridge over the Sugar River between their new pavilion (built where the

Marina used to be) and Pete's Shed. This helps pedestrians get from some of the harbor parking areas to the pavilion, LSPA Office, the Harbor Deli area and the start of the Riverwalk from the Harbor down to the Information Booth. Further improvements at the Information Booth, funded by a Scenic Byway Grant are scheduled for 2001, along with another footbridge between the information booth and the Hydroelectric Plant and path direction signs from private donations. A grant from the Federal Emergency Agency will fund drainage repairs in the Hells Corner and Stagecoach Road area. The repaving program continued in the south part of town.

Environment: The 2000 Town Meeting approved Use Zoning changes to help control types of growth to specific areas. Proposed Articles 2 through 11 make minor amendments to the Zoning Ordinance to limit the effect of building expansions within the set back limits. Proposed Article 13 is an addition to the Zoning Ordinance to control the installation of Personal Wireless Service Facilities, i.e.: communication towers, which are being built in so many places to assist cell phone service. It is intended to ensure such facilities are compatible with the rural setting and character of Sunapee, including its aesthetics and visual features. With major funding from a grant obtained by LSPA, the Highway Department started in the fall on an erosion control project at Dewey Beach, which should greatly reduce beach erosion and filter out road pollution. The Selectmen have instituted a requirement for placing a cash bond to insure adequate erosion control measures for projects adjacent to the lakes. This will allow prompt action to stop erosion at construction projects if the owner or builder does not follow the requirements of his permit.

Perkins Pond Sewer Project: At the Town Meeting, this project obtained 66.44% of the votes, just 2 votes short of two thirds. Although the Supreme Court has just recently ruled that the legislation requiring a 3/5 majority is constitutional, Bond Counsel felt he could not give an unqualified recommendation on the bonds and thus we could not borrow the money to do the environmentally needed project. The Selectmen directed the submission of a request to Superior Court for permission to hold a special Town Meeting to see if we could obtain a two-thirds majority. Permission was granted and a special meeting held in the summer. Unfortunately a majority of those voting was against the project. Due to the long term Town commitment to provide public sewer to densely populated areas adjacent to our lakes, the Selectmen and Water and Sewer Commission have again placed the project on the warrant. Recently the Selectmen have obtained at no cost to the Town, an easement through the Jennings property from Ryder Corner Road to the Sewer Treatment Plant and is working on an easement from one other property owner. The Perkins Pond property owners will be paying for the collector sewer line and road improvement costs, while all taxpayers (including the Perkins Pond users) will

be paying for the interceptor line from Ryder Corner Road to the plant. All the sewer costs will be reduced by a Federal grant of approximately \$783,000 and 20% of eligible costs from the State. The Federal Government will be lending most of the remaining costs at a low interest rate. I urge the approval of this important environmental project that will have very little effect on the property tax (8.9 cents/\$1000 valuation starting in 2003, assuming no consequential Perkins Pond property value increase – a very conservative assumption).

New Highway Garage: The Town Building Committee has been working hard all year reviewing possible garage sites and designing a new garage with the help of Trumbull-Nelson on a design/build basis. The Committee, with backing from the Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee, and various public meetings, has recommended the Church/Gallup site with an entrance off Route 11 about 750 feet north of Sargent Road. Due to discussions last year concerning the site location, article 18 provides two possible sites and asks the voters to decide. Purchase and sale agreements have been obtained for both sites. Lois Gallup has agreed to donate approximately three acres of her land to be annexed to the Church property if the public votes for the Church/Gallup property. The Rt. 11 property would be excellent for the highway garage, would have very little visibility from Rt. 11, and would not add traffic to Sargent and Avery Roads, in contrast to the Avery Road site. Funding for the garage is to come from the existing reserve fund, hydroelectric funds and short-term bonds that would be paid off with future Hydroelectric income.

Hydroelectric Plant: Last year Charlie Sorento came back as interim Chief Operator of the plant and then was replaced with Bob Collins, who is the operator of Ruger's hydro plant in Newport. The expertise of these two gentlemen and a wet year has combined for an excellent income of over \$200,000 with expenses of only \$33,592. My thanks to all those foresighted individuals who proposed the Hydroelectric project back in the 1980's - it has been very beneficial to the Town - and my thanks to the operators who have kept it running.

Town Manager System: As reported in the Selectmen's report, the Board of Selectmen, after many discussions, decided to abide by Town Counsel's opinion that the adoption, in 1993, of the Town Manager System of Government, according to State Statute Chapter 37 changed the method of selecting a Police Chief from election to appointment by the Town Manager. The then current Chief Soucy was appointed effective with the end of his elected term in March. Shortly thereafter, he indicated his intention to resign and take a full time, non-police related position in the private sector. He agreed to provide part time administration for the Department until a new Chief started. The Board of Selectmen and I reviewed over twenty-two applications from within the State

and as far away as Colorado, narrowed the field to seven and held interviews before an oral board consisting of the Sullivan County Sheriff, a State Police Officer, the Sunapee Elementary School Principal, two Selectmen, and myself. The whole Board of Selectmen then interviewed the two top candidates and agreed Christopher T. Domian, a local resident with impressive credentials, was an excellent fit for the Town. He has since settled well into the position and community. With the hiring of Sergeant Daignault in late December, the Police Department is back up to its authorized full time complement.

As I complete my seventh year as your Town Manager, I look forward to working another three years and extend my thanks to the Selectmen who renewed my contract to April 15, 2004.

Volunteers: I once again extend my thanks to all the citizens who volunteer so much of their time to play a role in our local government and urge everyone to get involved, serve as a fireman, a Sunapee Gardener, a committee member, or an elected board member. Help insure Sunapee is **your** community. I would like to give special thanks to Jim Elliott, who moved out of town in 2000, after serving on the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission and the Budget Advisory Committee, as well as numerous other civic projects. His dedication to, and work for what he thought was best for the Town was impressive.

Respectfully submitted,
John B. Wheeler, Town Manager

BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

Working with the Town Department Heads, the Board of Selectmen, and the Town Manager, the Budget Advisory Committee (BAC) reviewed the Year-2001 budget for the Town of Sunapee. The Budget Advisory Committee's role in Town government is to scrutinize budget requests in an effort to keep Sunapee's taxes at a realistic rate; this becomes more and more difficult each year.

The increase in county taxes, the predictable rise in the cost of supplies and services, the requisite pay raises for Town employees, including the increase in health benefit costs, all add up to expenses the Town cannot control. This year's budgetary process includes a 3.4% pay raise for town employees and a 9.5% increase in the cost of health insurance. Consequently, the recommended operating budget of \$3,827,331 is a 12.3% increase from last year. This 12.3% includes 11.8% for the General Government and 15.4% for the Special Revenue Funds. This latter increase includes a 41.6% increase in Water Debt that is in fact completely offset by existing funds available to pay that increased debt.

After careful consideration, the BAC is recommending the operating budget as stated above and the articles as listed below. If these recommendations were to be followed, the projected Town portion of the tax rate would increase 81 cents, or 23.9%, to \$4.20 from \$3.39 per \$1,000 of valuation. The 81 cents would result in an overall tax rate increase of 3.4%.

The BAC *recommends* Articles 14 through 34.

- ❑ The BAC *does not recommend* Article 37, which requests \$89,000 to pave two roads.
- ❑ The BAC is not charged to review zoning and those articles that do not contain expenditures; therefore, the Committee has *no recommendation* on Articles 1 through 13, 35, and 36.

When Sunapee chose to provide its own school system, independent of surrounding communities, it made a commitment to provide an excellent education to all the children, and to finance that standard of excellence. However, in the past two years, the voters rejected the school budget, and the school system functioned on default funding. The high quality of education provided by the Sunapee school system affirms the dedication of the schools' leadership.

The Budget Advisory Committee, with the School Board, the Principals, and the SAU, spent approximately three months reviewing the Year-2001-2002 proposed operating budget and the special spending articles. In the course of intense review, and in response to questions and suggestions from the BAC, the school administrators and teaching staff made significant cuts in the original budget. Curtailment efforts included reductions in furniture requests, new equipment, and utility cost projections. The outcome of this give-and-take review is the BAC's *unanimous support* of the operating budget as presented in Article 3.

The final proposed figure in Article 3, the Operating Budget, represents an approximate cost of \$11,600 per student in the Sunapee school system -- evidence that the Town spends more than the national average and the state average to provide an education for its children. The operating budget includes Sunapee's SAU allocation of \$262,825 for the 2001-2002 school year. Sunapee shares the cost of the SAU's expertise with surrounding towns, and pays the highest apportionment. During the course of budget review, the BAC wrote to the School Board citing the high prices listed in budget requests in the area of heating oil, materials, and equipment. In this letter, the Committee suggested that the SAU consider appointing a Purchasing Agent, who would be committed and obligated to seek the lowest prices for purchases on behalf of the Sunapee

school system. The Committee recommends that the School Board pursue this suggestion with the SAU.

The BAC has concerns regarding computer expenses. The BAC believes that there will be no budget requests for new computers next year, and replacement computers will be limited to twenty percent (20%) of the current supply based upon the budget discussions. The BAC recommends that the School Board continue to review the lease vs. buy option in the future.

Article 4: Supported by the BAC.

Article 5: Supported by the BAC.

For future bus needs, the Committee advises that a Capital Reserve Fund be set up to replace buses. A capital reserve fund article can be presented each year, and funds will accumulate for routine bus replacement.

Article 6: Supported by the BAC.

Article 7: Supported by the BAC.

Article 8: The BAC *does not support* Article 8 as presented.

The Committee suggests that there is money in the School Facilities Capital Reserve Fund, which can be used to repair and upgrade the heating system control and distribution system at the Central Elementary School.

Article 9: The BAC does support Article 9.

The Budget Advisory Committee is charged with the yearly review of the Town and School budgets on behalf of the taxpayers, and once again the Committee presents its report made in full recognition and allegiance to that mission.

Respectfully submitted,

The Budget Advisory Committee

Tina Naimie, Chair, Charles Balyeat, Charlotte Brown, David Montambeault,
Emma M. Smith

**TOWN OF SUNAPEE TOWN WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF SUNAPEE, County of Sullivan, in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the David W. Sherburne Gymnasium located on Route 11, in said Sunapee, on Wednesday, the 7th day of February, 2001, at 6:30 p.m. for the deliberative portion of the annual Town Meeting to discuss articles 2 through 37, and to amend, if deemed appropriate, Articles 14 through 37, hereinafter set forth. Final voting action on all articles shall take place by ballot on Tuesday, the 13th day of March 2001, at the Sherburne Gymnasium, Route 11, Sunapee. The polls shall be open from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Article 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 2: Are you in favor of the adoption of AMENDMENT NO. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article III, Section 3.40(e) – Additional Requirements - by changing the residential parking standards to require additional parking spaces for houses with more than four (4) bedrooms?

Yes _____ No _____

Planning Board favors adoption of Amendment No. 1 7-0

The full text of Article III, Section 3.40(e) as amended will be as follows:

(e) Parking for one and two-family residential units shall be as follows:

<i>One-family dwelling (up to 4 bedrooms)</i>	<i>= 2 spaces</i>
<i>(each additional bedroom)</i>	<i>= ½ space/bedroom</i>
<i>Two-family dwelling (up to 8 bedrooms total)</i>	<i>= 4 spaces</i>
<i>(each additional bedroom)</i>	<i>= ½ space/bedroom</i>
<i>Total required spaces must be rounded up to nearest whole space.</i>	

Article 3: Are you in favor of the adoption of AMENDMENT NO. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article III, Section 3.40 – Additional Requirements – by adding a subsection 3.40(i) which will stipulate a maximum height of 30' from any roof eave or windowsill to the grade directly below?

Yes _____ No _____

The Planning Board favors adoption of Amendment No. 2 7-0

The full text of Article III, Section 3.40(i) as proposed will be as follows:

(i) The maximum height of any windowsill or roof eaves shall be no more than 30 feet above the grade directly below it. Windows or eaves located in roof appendages such as cupolas or skylights shall be excluded from this ordinance.

Article 4: Are you in favor of the adoption of AMENDMENT NO. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article III, Section 3.40 – Additional Requirements – by adding a subsection 3.40(j) which will require that all retaining walls over 42” in height must meet zoning setbacks?

Yes _____ No _____

The Planning Board favors adoption of Amendment No. 3 7-0

The full text of Article III, Section 3.40(j) as proposed will be as follows:

(j) Retaining walls over 42” in height must meet all of the setback requirements of the Zoning District in which they are constructed.

Article 5: Are you in favor of the adoption of AMENDMENT NO. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article III, Section 3.40 – Additional Requirements – by adding a subsection 3.40(k) which will allow for open areas underneath existing living spaces to be enclosed without a variance or special exception from the Zoning Board of Adjustment?

Yes _____ No _____

The Planning Board favors adoption of Amendment No. 4 7-0

The full text of Article III, Section 3.40(k) as proposed will be as follows:

(k) If a pre-existing structure contains enclosed living space which projects over a non-conforming open area, the open area may be enclosed provided an application for a Certificate of Zoning Compliance has been approved.

Article 6: Are you in favor of the adoption of AMENDMENT NO. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article III, Section 3.50(b) – Special Exceptions – by adding a provision that sets a minimum front setback of 10’ from the right-of-way and a maximum height of 25’ for structures approved by this special exception?

Yes _____ No _____

The Planning Board favors adoption of Amendment No. 5 7-0

The full text of Article III, Section 3.50(b) as amended will be as follows:

Where structures which do not meet front setback requirements exist in proximity to and on the same side of the road as the lot for which a certificate of compliance is being sought, the ZBA may allow a lesser front setback. The proposed structure shall be no closer to the road than the structure on such lots *and in no case closer than 10' to the right-of-way line of the town road. The portion of the proposed structure encroaching on the front setback shall be no higher than 25'.*

Article 7: Are you in favor of the adoption of AMENDMENT NO. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article III, Section 3.50(c) – Special Exceptions - by adding a provision that limits the height of a proposed structure between 25' and 40' within the side setback as allowed by this special exception?

Yes _____ No _____

The Planning Board favors adoption of Amendment No. 6 7-0

The full text of Article III, Section 3.50(c)(3) as amended will be as follows:

(3) the height of the proposed structure is no more than 25' at the point of full setback reduction (i.e. 50%) and the height increases (at most) linearly with distance to the allowable 40' height at the point of conformity.

Article 8: Are you in favor of the adoption of AMENDMENT NO. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article III, Section 3.50(f) – Special Exceptions – by adding a provision which will limit the height of new additions approved under this special exception to the height of the pre-existing structure?

Yes _____ No _____

The Planning Board favors adoption of Amendment No. 7 7-0

The full text of Article III, Section 3.50(f) as amended will be as follows:

If a pre-existing primary structure is non-conforming due to an inadequate front setback, the ZBA may allow additions to the structure providing such changes do not further decrease the front setback *and are no higher than the existing primary structure.*

Article 9: Are you in favor of the adoption of AMENDMENT NO. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article III, Section 3.50 – Special Exceptions – by adding a new special exception 3.50(k) which will allow for additions to existing homes located entirely within the 50’ water bodies setback provided certain conditions are satisfied?

Yes _____ No _____

The Planning Board favors adoption of Amendment No. 8 7-0

The full text of Article III, Section 3.50(k) will be as follows:

(k) If a pre-existing house is located entirely within the 50’ water bodies setback, additions may be made to the structure provided that each of the following conditions is met:

- (1) the house is at least 40’ from the water body at all points where the addition is proposed, and*
- (2) the proposed addition is to be only on the side of the structure away from the water body and behind the existing structure, and.*
- (3) the proposed addition is no higher than 25’ from the finished grade at its highest point.*

Article 10: Are you in favor of the adoption of AMENDMENT NO. 9 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article IV, Section 4.33(B)(8)(b)(vii) – Shorelines – by adding a provision which will limit the amount of tree cutting in the 50’ buffer to 10’ around a new home and require Planning Board approval for any regrading within the 50’ buffer?

Yes _____ No _____

The Planning Board favors adoption of Amendment No. 9 7-0

The full text of Article IV, Section 4.33(B)(8)(b)(vii) as amended will be as follows:

- (vii) A Well-Distributed Stand of Vegetative Matter shall be maintained in the Natural Woodland Buffer except for those areas within 20’ of existing or proposed structures, driveways, or parking areas. The exception does not apply to minor structures or walkways as defined in Section 3.40(g)(2). This exception also does not apply to the area within 50’ of the lake or pond where cutting shall be limited to 10’ around a proposed structure. The grade within 50’ of a lake or pond may not be raised or lowered without approval of the Planning Board.*

Article 11: Are you in favor of the adoption of AMENDMENT NO. 10 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article X, Section 10.11 – Zoning Board of Adjustment – by increasing the number of alternate members on the Zoning Board of Adjustment from 3 to 5?

Yes _____ No _____

The Planning Board favors adoption of Amendment No. 10 7-0

Article 12: Are you in favor of the adoption of AMENDMENT NO. 11 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article IV – Use Regulations – by adding a Section 4.40 – Personal Wireless Service Facilities – which will regulate the siting of such facilities in compliance with the Telecommunications Act of 1996?

Yes _____ No _____

The Planning Board favors adoption of Amendment No. 11 7-0

The full text of Article IV, Section 4.40 will be as follows:

4.40 PERSONAL WIRELESS SERVICE FACILITIES

(A) Purpose and Intent. It is the express purpose of this Section to

- (1) permit carriers to locate personal wireless service facilities in Sunapee, in compliance with the Telecommunications Act of 1996;*
- (2) enable wireless services to become available to the citizens of Sunapee;*
- (3) ensure that personal wireless service facilities are consistent with the town’s land use policies and goals; and*
- (4) ensure that personal wireless service facilities are compatible with the rural setting and character of Sunapee, including its aesthetics and visual features.*

Compatibility is measured based on the change in community scale and character in relation to the height, mass, materials, contrasts, or proportion within the surroundings of a proposed personal wireless service facility. In particular, Sunapee wishes to preserve its many scenic views, its historic structures and areas, and its rural character.

All four of the above stated purposes have equal value, and none shall take precedence.

(B) Location

Construction of new personal wireless service facilities shall comply with the following location hierarchy.

- (1) Carrier Service Facilities shall be **co-located on existing towers**, whether inside the town limits or in adjacent communities; if such towers are not available, then*
- (2) Carrier Service Facilities shall be **located on existing structures** such as bell towers, cupolas, barns, etc.; if such structures are not available, then*
- (3) Carrier Service Facilities shall be **located on newly constructed tower(s)**, provided such new towers comply with this Section.*

Personal wireless service facilities shall be permitted in all zones. Applicants seeking approval for personal wireless service facilities shall first evaluate existing structures for the siting of personal wireless service facilities. Only after finding that there are no suitable existing structures pursuant to this Section, shall a provider propose a new ground mounted facility.

Personal wireless service facilities may be located on existing structures, including, but not limited to, buildings, towers or other mounts, utility poles and towers, and related facilities, provided that such installation preserves the character, appearance and integrity of those structures.

If the applicant demonstrates that it is not feasible to locate on an existing structure, new personal wireless service facilities shall be designed so as to be camouflaged to the greatest extent possible, including but not limited to use of compatible building materials and colors, screening, landscaping and placement within trees or on the sideslope of a hill or mountain. Flat, non-reflective paint shall be used.

(C) Applicability

This Section shall apply to personal wireless service facilities proposed to be located on property owned by the Town of Sunapee, on privately owned property, and on property that is owned by any other governmental entity that leases such property to a carrier.

(D) Definitions

The definitions set forth in this Ordinance, when the context so requires, are controlling. When further definitions are required, all New Hampshire statutory and Telecommunications Act of 1996 (TCA) definitions shall apply to this Section. The following definitions apply only to this Section.

Antenna. The surface from which wireless radio signals are sent and/or received.

Antenna Array. A collection of antennas attached to a mount to send and receive radio signals.

Average Tree Canopy Height. An average height found by inventorying the height at above ground level (AGL) of all trees over twenty (20) feet in height within a 150 ft. radius of the proposed facility. Trees to be removed for installation are not to be included in the calculation.

Camouflaged. A personal wireless service facility that is disguised, hidden, part of an existing or proposed structure, or placed within an existing or proposed structure.

Carrier. A Company that provides personal wireless services, also sometimes referred to as a provider.

Co-location. The use of a single mount on the ground by more than one carrier (vertical co-location) or the same carrier with multiple licenses, and/or the use of several mounts on an existing building or structure by more than one carrier or the same carrier with multiple licenses.

Equipment Shelter. An enclosed structure, cabinet, shed, vault, or box near the base of the mount within which are housed equipment for personal wireless service facilities such as batteries and electrical equipment. Equipment Shelters are sometimes referred to as base transceiver stations.

Fall Zone. The area on the ground from the base of the ground mounted personal wireless service facility that forms a circle with a diameter equal to twice the height of the personal wireless service facility, including any antennas or other appurtenances. The fall zone is the area within which there is a potential hazard from falling debris (such as ice) or collapsing material.

Guyed Tower. A monopole or lattice tower that is secured to the ground or other surface by diagonal cables for lateral support.

Height. The height above ground level (AGL) from the natural grade of a site to the highest point of a structure.

Lattice Tower. A type of mount with multiple legs and structural crossing bracing between the legs that is self-supporting and freestanding.

Mast. A thin pole that resembles a streetlight standard or a telephone pole. A dual-polarized antenna is typically deployed on a mast.

Monopole. A thicker type of mount than a mast that is self-supporting with a single shaft of wound steel or concrete or other material that is designed for the placement of antennas and arrays along or within the shaft.

Mount. The structure or surface upon which antennas are mounted including, but not limited to, the following types of mounts:

- a. roof-mounted (mounted on the roof of a building);*
- b. side-mounted (mounted on the side of a building);*
- c. ground-mounted (mounted on the ground);*
- d. structure-mounted (mounted on a structure other than a building);*
- and,*
- e. towers, masts, and monopoles.*

Personal Wireless Service Facility. Facility for the provision of personal wireless service as defined by the Telecommunications Act of 1996, as amended. Personal wireless service facilities include a mount, antenna, equipment shelter and other related equipment.

Personal Wireless Services. Commercial mobile radio services, unlicensed wireless services, common carrier wireless exchange access service as described in the Telecommunications Act of 1996, as amended, and other wireless services intended to serve the public or private sectors.

Security Barrier. A barrier that restricts an area from unauthorized entry or trespass.

Separation. The distance between one carrier's antenna array and another carrier's antenna array.

(E) Application Requirements

Applicants shall be required to submit the following information to the Planning Board

- (1) A diagram and/or map showing the viewshed of the proposed personal wireless service facility including all buildings and accessory structures.*
- (2) Photo-simulations from at least four directions which adequately represent the appearance of the completed structure when viewed from inhabited areas or roads within the Town during the winter months after leaves have fallen from the trees and other vegetation.*
- (3) An inventory of existing personal wireless service facilities that are within Town borders, including specific information about the location, height, design as well as feasibility for co-location.*

- (4) *If the applicant is proposing a new personal wireless service facility, written evidence demonstrating that no existing structure within two miles of the proposed personal wire service facility can accommodate the applicant's needs. This evidence can consist of:*
- (a) *Substantial evidence that no existing structures are located within the geographic area.*
 - (b) *Substantial evidence that existing facilities are not of sufficient height to meet the applicant's engineering requirements or do not have sufficient structural strength to support applicant's proposed equipment.*
 - (c) *Substantial evidence that existing facilities have no additional capacity.*
 - (d) *Substantial evidence that co-location on an existing facility would cause electromagnetic interference at the existing facility, or vice-versa.*

(F) New Construction: Burden of Proof

When applying for construction of a new tower, mast, monopole, or similar structure, the applicant shall have the burden of proving that there are no existing structures that are available and suitable to locate its personal wireless service facility and/or transmit or receive radio signals. To meet that burden, the applicant shall take all appropriate actions as may be required from the applicant, which may include but not necessarily limited to the following actions:

- (1) *The applicant shall submit a list of all contacts made with owners of potential sites regarding the availability of potential space for a personal wireless service facility.*
- (2) *The applicant shall provide copies of all letters of inquiry made to owners of existing structures and letters of rejection. If letters of rejection are not provided, at a minimum, unanswered "Return Receipt Requested" forms from the U.S. Post Office shall be provided for each owner of existing structures that was contacted.*
- (3) *If the applicant claims that a structure is not capable of physically supporting a personal wireless service facility, this claim must be certified by a licensed professional civil engineer. The certification shall, at a minimum, explain the structural issues and demonstrate that the structure cannot be modified to support the personal wireless service facility without unreasonable costs.*

(G) Use Provisions

A personal wireless facility shall require a Certificate of Zoning Compliance in all cases and may be permitted subject to compliance with all land use regulations as indicated by approval by the Planning Board.

*** THE FOLLOWING SECTION WAS INADVERTENTLY LEFT OUT OF THE PRINTING OF ARTICLE 12 ON PERSONAL WIRELESS SERVICE FACILITIES. IT WAS RE-INSERTED AT THE FIRST SESSION OF TOWN MEETING.**

(H) Dimensional Requirements.

Personal wireless service facilities shall comply with the following requirements:

- (1) Height, Existing Structures and Utility Poles: Carriers that locate new personal wireless service facilities on existing structures may be permitted to increase the height of those structures no more than ten (10) feet, if the additional height will not adversely impact the aesthetics or otherwise violate this Section. This increase in height shall only be permitted once for each structure.*
- (2) Height, Ground-Mounted Facilities: Ground-mounted personal wireless service facilities shall not exceed the greater of sixty (60) feet or ten (10) feet above the average tree canopy height.*
- (3) Setbacks: All personal wireless service facilities and their equipment shelters shall comply with the building setback provisions of the Sunapee Zoning Ordinance.*
- (4) Fall Zone for Ground Mounts: In order to ensure public safety, the minimum distance from the base of any ground-mount of a personal wireless service facility to any property line, public road, habitable dwelling, business or institutional use, or public recreational area shall be, at a minimum, the distance equal to the fall zone, as defined in this Ordinance. The fall zone may cross property lines, so long as the applicant secures a fall zone easement from the affected property owner(s). The area of the easement shall be shown on all applicable plans submitted to the Town, and the terms of the easement shall be provided as part of the Site Plan Review. Fall zones may overlap.*
- (5) Fall Zone for Non-Ground Mounts: In the event that an existing structure is proposed as a mount for a personal wireless service facility, a fall zone shall not be required, but the setback provision of the Sunapee Zoning Ordinance shall apply. In the case of pre-existing nonconforming*

structures, personal wireless service facilities and their equipment shelters shall not increase any non-conformities.

Article 13: To hear the reports of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Auditors, Committees, and/or other officers heretofore chosen.

Article 14: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$1,984,641 for design and construction of sewerage facilities identified as Perkins Pond sewers, and associated improvements to the Sunapee Waste Water Treatment Plant, more particularly described in the Cost Effective Evaluation Report dated September 1998, to serve properties in the vicinity of Mary's Road, Piney Point Road, Burma Road, North Shore Road, Paquette Lane, Melody Lane and Northwest Lane; and for limited improvements to said ways; and to raise the said sum from issuance and sale of bonds for such purposes, provided:

(1) Without impairing the general obligation of the Town to repay such bonds or other indebtedness incurred in connection with the project, the Water and Sewer Commission shall collect, through user fees, amounts necessary to support repayment of that portion of such bonds and indebtedness associated with the costs of the following parts of the project: the sewer collector lines to the point of connection with the interceptor on the south side of Ryder Corner Road, east of Piney Point Road, and 100% of the road improvement costs; and

(2) The Water and Sewer Commission is authorized, in its discretion, to obtain loans in support of the project through the State of New Hampshire Revolving Loan Fund administered by the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services pursuant to NH RSA 486:14; and from the United States Rural Development Agency, and in connection therewith, to contract indebtedness in amounts which may temporarily exceed total project costs, but only to facilitate arrangements for longer term indebtedness which shall be used to repay short term indebtedness; and

(3) The Water and Sewer Commission is authorized to defray a portion of the costs of the project and thereby reduce the amount to be raised from issuance and sale of bonds, from any and all grants-in-aid available from the United States of America or the State of New Hampshire for said purpose, acceptance of which is hereby authorized, together with authorization to incur indebtedness in anticipation of receipt of such grants-in-aid, pursuant to RSA 33:7-b. The Water and Sewer Commission shall determine whether the amount to be raised from issuance and sale of bonds may be reduced after determining the amounts available from the alternate sources specified in this and the immediately preceding paragraph.

(4) The Water and Sewer Commission is further authorized to defray a portion of the costs of the project and thereby reduce the amount to be raised from bonds or loans, by expending from the Sewer Attachment Fee Fund for purposes of the project, an amount not to exceed \$50,000.

(5) To assure that the project, where practicable, will be constructed in public ways and thereby reduce project costs, the authorization and appropriation provided in this article shall be effective only as, if, and when conditional layout proceedings have been commenced pursuant to NH RSA 231:28-32 for layout, as Class V highways, of such portions of the private ways listed in the introductory paragraph of this Article in which sewerage facilities are to be installed, except that portions of Northwest Lane in which such facilities are to be installed shall be subject to layout as a class VI highway pursuant to NH RSA 231:8. Approval of this Article shall constitute the local legislative body's approval of acceptance thereof by layout, in accordance with NH RSA 674:40, III.

Three-fifths vote required per RSA 33:8 (Bond Counsel suggests seeking two-thirds vote to avoid delay from pending litigation over validity of three-fifths requirement.)

Recommended by the Water & Sewer Commission, Board of Selectmen, and Budget Advisory Committee.

Article 15: Are you in favor of raising and appropriating the sum of \$625,000 for the design and construction of a new Highway Garage facility on the property to be chosen in Article 18 below; to authorize; 1) the use of \$137,000, plus any accumulated interest thereon, from the Capital Reserve fund established by Article 22 of the 1997 Town Meeting for constructing a highway garage facility (provided Article 16 below is approved), 2) the use of \$130,000 from the Hydroelectric Fund Surplus, and 3) the borrowing of the remaining sum of not more than \$358,000 from issuance and sale of bonds for such purposes?

Three-fifths vote required per RSA 33:8 (Bond Counsel suggests seeking two-thirds vote to avoid delay from pending litigation over validity of three-fifths requirement.)

Recommended by the Town Building Committee, Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.

Article 16: Are you in favor of changing the purpose of the Capital Reserve Fund established by Article 22 of the 1997 Town Meeting by deleting the proposed location "on Avery Road in Sunapee, Map 7, Lot 49" so the purpose would be for "designing and constructing a new highway garage facility"? If approved, this would allow the use of the Highway Garage Reserve Fund for design and construction of a new highway garage at a location other than Map 7, Lot 49 (which is the lot opposite the present transfer station) as may be chosen in Article 18 below.

Two-thirds vote required

Recommended by the Town Building Committee, Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.

Article 17: Are you in favor of raising and appropriating the sum of \$160,000 for the purpose of purchasing and developing one of two possible sites for a new Highway Garage Facility; the site to be as selected by the majority of voters voting in Article 18; the full funding is to come from Hydroelectric Surplus Funds?

Recommended by the Town Building Committee, Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.

Article 18: Which proposed site do you prefer for a new Highway Garage Facility including Garage, parking, salt and sand storage areas, and related items? Vote for only one:

- A) The Church/Gallup property to be accessed from the west of side of Rt. 11 approximately 750 feet north of Sargent Road. The Gallup portion of the land will be given to the Town. (Recommended by the Town Building Committee, the Board of Selectmen, and the Budget Advisory Committee.)
- B) The former Hansen property at 54 Avery Road (Map 7, Lot 50), to be accessed from Avery Road.

Article 19: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles (14-18, 20-26, and 29 - 37) nor other appropriations voted separately, (27 & 28) the amounts as set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein totaling \$3,827,331? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$3,555,357, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by the previous action of the Town of Sunapee or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.

Article 20: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$50,000 to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund, as established by Article 33 of the 1984 Town Meeting, for the purpose of acquiring or refurbishing fire apparatus and equipment?

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.

Article 21: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$70,000 to be added to the Highway Heavy Equipment Reserve Fund, as established by Article 29 of the 1989 Town Meeting?

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.

Article 22: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$10,000 to be added to the Library Capital Reserve Fund, as established by Article 11 of the 1999 Town Meeting?

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.

Article 23: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$15,000 to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund, as established by Article 26 of the 1993 Town Meeting, for updating tax maps?

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.

Article 24: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$10,000 to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund, as established by Article 23 of the 1997 Town Meeting, for purchasing used highway equipment?

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.

Article 25: Are you in favor of establishing a Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 (VI) and/or RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of engineering evaluation and design, repair, and/or construction of Town road bridges that have been placed on the “red list” by the NH Department of Transportation; to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be placed in this fund; and to designate the Town Manager, under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, as agent to expend?

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.

Article 26: Are you in favor of raising and appropriating the sum of \$28,000 to rebuild the sidewalk on Lower Main Street from Route 11 to approximately 46 Lower Main St.? This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI, and will not lapse until the work is completed or December 31, 2005, which ever occurs first.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.

Article 27: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$107,500 to purchase and equip a new truck for the Highway Department, and authorizing the sale or trade in of the existing 1988 Ford truck; and authorizing the withdrawal of up to \$107,500 from the previously-authorized Highway Heavy Equipment Reserve Fund, and authorizing the use of said trade-in or sale to reduce the amount withdrawn from the Highway Heavy Equipment Reserve Fund? It is expected that the Town will receive \$10,000 for the trade-in.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.

Article 28: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$29,000 to purchase and equip a new Police cruiser, to trade in or sell the 1997 Ford Cruiser, and to authorize the use of said trade-in or sale to offset the amount to be raised by taxation? It is expected that the Town will receive \$1,500 for the trade-in.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.

Article 29: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$100,000 to purchase and equip a new Fire Department Utility/Emergency

Medical Service Vehicle and authorizing the withdrawal of up to \$100,000 from the previously authorized Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of acquiring or refurbishing fire apparatus and equipment?

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.

Article 30: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$90,000 for the replacement of emergency generators at four pump stations, which are twenty-seven years old and to authorize the withdrawal of said sum from existing Sewer Department funds? This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the work is completed or December 31, 2004, which ever occurs first.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.

Article 31: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$100,000 for the reconditioning of approximately 2500 feet of 6" cast iron water main on 103B, which, because of rust build-up has been reduced to about 2" of useable area, said work to include a new connection to Chase Street, and to authorize the withdrawal of said sum from existing Water Department funds?

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.

Article 32: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$150,000 for the replacement of the old water main on Prospect Hill Road and a portion of Main Street in Georges Mills, and to authorize the withdrawal of said sum from existing Water Department funds?

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.

Article 33: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$3,350 to be added to the Expendable Trust Fund, as established by Article 43 of the 1989 Town Meeting and as amended by Article 33 of the 1991 Town Meeting, under the provisions of RSA 31:19(a) for the general maintenance and care of burial lots of the Cemeteries, and to authorize the transfer of said sum from the December 31, 2000, General Fund balance?

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.

Article 34: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$7,500 to be placed in the Conservation Commission Fund, to be used for the acquisition and improvement of property, easements, and other interests in land within the Town, for the benefit of present and future generations, all in accordance with RSA 36-A?

The Conservation Commission unanimously recommends adoption.
Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.

Article 35: Are you in favor of the Town accepting a gift of certain real estate adjacent to the Town Hall and Hydroelectric property, on which the Sunapee Information Booth is now situated, the gift to be either the funds to purchase the property from the State or the property directly?

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 36: Are you in favor of voting to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of municipal assets (i.e.; old vehicles or equipment) as deemed necessary?

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 37: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$89,000 for the paving of Hansen Chase and New Providence Roads?

By Petition of residents of Hansen Chase and New Providence Roads.

Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.

Given under our hands and seal this
22nd day of January, 2001
Frederick C. Gallup, Chairman
William H. Chalmers
J. William Scharff
William Roach
Dennis R. Wiggins

A true copy of Warrant, Attest
Frederick C. Gallup, Chairman
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Dennis R. Wiggins

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES 2001

Acct. description	2000	2000	2001	% Inc
	<u>Voted</u>	<u>Spent</u>	<u>Request</u>	<u>Recom'd</u>
General Government				
Executive	134,302	119,530	146,229	145,560
Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Elections	104,842	104,326	109,008	110,931
Finance	65,434	69,270	91,893	90,993
Assessing	10,000	5,773	21,000	21,000
Legal	21,000	29,674	22,000	22,000
Personnel Benefits not Allocated	700	650	700	700
Planning & Zoning	28,284	23,170	27,390	30,189
Buildings & Grounds	22,201	20,392	28,429	23,929
Cemeteries	14,339	7,969	14,425	14,101
Insurance not Allocated	3,800	2,902	3,500	3,500
Information Booth	10,600	9,556	10,418	10,418
Other General Government	23,574	18,790	37,065	25,705
Total General Government	439,076	412,002	512,057	499,026
Public Safety				
Police Department	312,936	306,055	340,636	349,719
Ambulance Service	8,225	9,583	10,075	10,075
Fire Department	92,251	82,807	100,646	99,946
Emergency Management	200	0	200	200
Total Public Safety	413,612	398,445	451,557	459,940
				11.8%
				22.5%
				8.3%
				0.0%
				11.2%

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES 2001

Acct. description	2000	2000	2001	2001	% Inc
	<u>Voted</u>	<u>Spent</u>	<u>Request</u>	<u>Recom'd</u>	
Public Works					
Highway Department	674,380	687,849	790,717	798,615	18.4%
Street Lights	36,000	32,366	35,000	35,000	-2.8%
Transfer Station	360,019	334,033	396,270	397,991	10.5%
Total Public Works	1,070,399	1,054,248	1,221,987	1,231,606	15.1%
Public Service					
Health Officer	4,262	3,833	4,548	4,548	6.7%
Animal Control	650	85	650	650	0.0%
Health Services	8,250	8,250	8,502	8,333	1.0%
Welfare	70,205	68,610	72,240	73,553	4.8%
Recreation	74,676	80,026	79,473	78,120	4.6%
Library	119,221	121,267	120,389	119,889	0.6%
Patriotic/Culture	4,950	4,749	4,950	4,950	0.0%
Conservation	1,900	1,900	1,900	1,850	-2.6%
Total Public Service	284,114	288,720	292,652	291,893	2.7%
Debt Service					
Debt Principal	156,441	156,440	155,109	155,109	-0.9%
Debt Interest	39,515	39,514	30,777	30,777	-22.1%
TAN Interest	12,000	0	12,000	12,000	0.0%
Total Debt	207,956	195,954	197,886	197,886	-4.8%
Subtotal General Government	2,415,157	2,349,369	2,676,139	2,680,351	11.0%

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES 2001

Acct. description	2000	2000	2001	% Inc
	<u>Voted</u>	<u>Spent</u>	<u>Request</u>	<u>Recom'd</u>
Special Revenue Funds				
Water & Sewer Department				
Water Operating	194,950	179,192	202,565	3.9%
Water Debt	103,952	179,773	251,180	141.6%
Total Water	298,902	358,965	453,745	51.8%
Sewer Collection	195,005	159,718	194,028	-0.5%
Sewer Treatment Plant	289,498	287,960	311,697	7.7%
Sewer Debt	139,220	139,220	130,867	-6.0%
Total Sewer	623,723	586,898	636,592	2.1%
Total Water & Sewer Department	922,625	945,863	1,090,337	18.2%
Hydroelectric Operating	71,470	33,592	64,493	-20.7%
Hydroelectric Debt	0	0	0	
Total Hydroelectric	71,470	33,592	64,493	-20.7%
Total Special Revenue Funds	994,095	979,455	1,154,830	15.4%
Total Operating Budget	3,409,252	3,328,824	3,830,969	12.3%
Special and Individual Articles	206,700	182,501	3,535,641	1532.4%
Expendible Trusts	1,900	1,900	3,350	76.3%
Capital Reserve Fund	225,000	225,000	270,000	-8.9%
Total Separate Articles	433,600	409,401	3,808,991	726.2%
Total Budget	3,842,852	3,738,225	7,639,960	92.8%

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUE 2001

Source	1999 <u>Estimated</u>	1999 <u>Actual</u>	2000 <u>Estimated</u>	2000 <u>Actual</u>
Taxes				
Land Use Change Tax	4,000	0	2,000	26,560
Yield Taxes	6,000	9,840	4,000	9,727
Interest & Penalties	100,000	104,295	90,000	76,053
Licenses, Permits & Fees				
Vehicle Registrations	350,000	473,283	400,000	499,199
Building & Land Permits	5,000	5,447	5,500	4,805
Licenses, Permits & Fees	27,000	31,968	26,800	28,586
From State				
Shared Revenue - State	55,450	32,929	32,930	31,656
Highway Block Grant	77,900	60,265	77,900	81,538
Sidewalk Grant	0			
Water Grant	6,156	6,156	6,156	6,156
Water Pollution Grant	38,261	38,261	35,610	35,610
Other State Grants		127,258		6,987
NH Rooms & Meals	39,679	51,096	51,000	62,409
Police Safety Grant	5,000	2,944	3,000	
Intergovernmental Revenue				
Springfield for T/S	55,190	55,190	63,048	63,048
Income from Departments				
General Government Misc.	4,000	23,219	14,500	12,013
Police Special Detail	8,000	2,088	8,000	6,628
Recycling	9,000	12,708	10,000	25,002
Water Bond From Users	1,500	1,500	1,000	1,000
Town Dock Rental	4,085	4,085	4,407	4,407
Burial Income	2,000	2,150	2,000	2,750
Office Rent/Services	3,000	0	6,000	16,089
T/S Ticket Sales	35,000	32,070	31,000	33,017

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUE 2001

Source	1999 <u>Estimated</u>	1999 <u>Actual</u>	2000 <u>Estimated</u>	2000 <u>Actual</u>
Other Charges				
Sale of Cemetery Lot	4,000	1,650	2,000	1,200
Sale of Highway Equipment	19,000	27,555	9,500	11,000
Sale of Cruiser	3,500	0		3,200
Sale of Town Property			1,500	6,077
Miscellaneous Revenue				
Interest on Investments	60,000	68,068	40,000	97,377
Rents/Leases Services				
Fines, Witness Fees	2,000	2,290	1,650	2,050
Donations - 38 Main Street				
Other Revenues	2,000	-506	0	
Insurance Dividends	12,986	12,986	12,000	37,182
Enterprise Fund - Sewer	672,087	672,087	743,723	671,605
Enterprise Fund - Water	314,090	314,090	298,902	279,630
Enterprise Fund - Hydro	110,922	110,922	151,470	
Capital Reserve Fund	167,200	200,877	39,000	39,000
Trust & Agency Funds	4,200	1,686	1,500	950
Long Term Bonds & Notes			1,352,341	
Surplus to Offset Tax Rate	280,000	200,000	400,000	305,000
Federal Grant			782,300	

SUNAPEE TRUST FUNDS REPORT

During the year 2000, the Trustees continued to strengthen the management system used to fulfill its responsibilities. Members attended a special seminar for Trustees conducted by the Division of Charitable Trusts, Department of the NH Attorney General, and had discussions and consultations with the Registrar of Charitable Trusts, Town Manager, Deputy Town Clerk, Cemetery Commissioners, Trust benefactors, and others.

Developing an effective management system has been a priority for the Trustees, not only for the conduct of its work, but to provide policies, procedures, and records which will assure continuity and consistency over time as the membership changes. In this regard, the Trustees have completed a comprehensive review of all of the trusts under its care and prepared a one-page summary for each trust indicating the relevant facts such as date established, type of trust, method of funding, purpose, authority to request distributions, designated recipient, and any special instructions. In the course of this review, it was discovered that several trusts which have been carried as Non-Expendables, should according to records, be designated as Expendable (i.e., principal as well as income can be spent); the necessary corrections have been made.

During the year, all of the Trust assets have been invested in the NH Public Deposit Investment Pool (PDIP) which is consistent with the Trustees investment policy of preserving the value of funds through conservative and risk adverse investments and maintaining operating and control systems that guard against error or fraud.

New Town appropriations approved by the March 14, 2000 ballot and now invested are:

- Article 9: \$10,000 added to Highway Garage Facility Capital Reserve Fund.
- Article 10: \$70,000 added to Highway Garage Facility Capital Reserve Fund.
- Article 11: \$50,000 added to Fire Department apparatus and equipment Capital Reserve Fund.
- Article 12: \$70,000 added to Highway Garage heavy equipment Capital Reserve Fund.
- Article 13: \$10,000 added to New Library Capital Reserve Fund.
- Article 14: \$15,000 added to Tax Map Capital Reserve Fund.
- Article 18: \$1,900 added to Expendable Cemetery Fund.

The financial details of all the Trust Funds for the year are shown in the accompanying table.

Respectfully submitted,

Norman C. Logan, Daphne Church, Edward Epremian, Trustees

Report of the Trustee of Trust Funds of the Town of Sunapee

Calendar Year 2000

						12/31/2000
Year	Name of Trust	Begin Bal.	Deposits	Withdrawal		Balance
Non-Expendable Trust Funds						
Var	#1, Cemetery Perpetual Care	\$ 41,150.87	\$ 2,471.32			\$ 43,622.19
Var	#2, Student Awards	\$ 58,288.06	\$ 3,132.69	\$14,517.90		\$ 46,902.85
1983	Bartlett Speaking	\$ 16,708.58	\$ 969.78	\$ 622.97		\$ 17,055.39
1983	Bartlett Park	\$ 15,258.25	\$ 905.62			\$ 16,163.87
1970	Library, General	\$ 8,767.50	\$ 649.26	\$ 468.22		\$ 8,948.54
1972	Library, Gardner	\$ 2,641.48	\$ 148.44	\$ 141.48		\$ 2,648.44
1948	Firemen's, Knowlton, M.	\$ 13,682.92	\$ 830.06			\$ 14,512.98
1969	Firemen's, Robinson, C.B.	\$ 5,127.84	\$ 308.29			\$ 5,436.13
1987	Firemen's, Warren & Quaw	\$ 1,130.40	\$ 67.78			\$ 1,198.18
1968	Parks, Coffin, Elizabeth D.	\$ 7,699.40	\$ 457.39			\$ 8,156.79
1958	Visiting Nurse, Emerson, J.	\$ 1,964.94	\$ 116.38			\$ 2,081.32
1987	Historical Society	\$ 25,916.80	\$ 3,693.05			\$ 29,609.85
1990	Chapel, Crowther	\$ 8,512.53	\$ 499.60			\$ 9,012.13
	Total	\$206,849.57	\$ 14,249.66	\$15,750.57		\$ 205,348.66
Expendable Trust Funds						
1989	Cemetery	\$ 17,645.33	\$ 5,679.52			\$ 23,324.85
1995	Insurance deductible	\$ 5,956.61	\$ 361.59			\$ 6,318.20
1996	Parks, Memorial Gardens	\$ 1,512.20	\$ 778.06	\$ 475.74		\$ 1,814.52
1977	Parks, Dewey Woods	\$ 1,491.84	90.45			\$ 1,582.29
1999	Abbott Library	\$ 21,136.34	\$ 2,882.77	\$ 2,000.00		\$ 22,019.11
2000	Special Education Fund		\$ 25,625.63			\$ 25,625.63
1988	Charles Flint Scholarship		\$ 798.28	\$ 43.00		\$ 755.28
1999	Journalism Award		\$ 578.76			\$ 578.76
1996	John P. Molloy Scholarship		\$ 6,514.46	\$ 961.61		\$ 5,552.85
1995	Burrill Memorial Scholarship		\$ 5,174.76	\$ 546.01		\$ 4,628.75
	Total	\$ 47,742.32	\$ 48,484.28	\$ 4,026.36		\$ 92,200.24
Capital Reserve Trust Funds						
1984	Fire Department	\$ 98,885.75	\$ 56,162.99			\$ 155,048.74
1989	Highway Equipment	\$ 59,159.10	\$ 73,815.09			\$ 132,974.19
1993	Tax Maps	\$ 33,769.96	\$ 17,097.85			\$ 50,867.81
1997	Revaluation	\$ 25,938.12	\$ 1,574.73			\$ 27,512.85
1997	Avery Rd Garage	\$ 53,732.26	\$ 83,329.28			\$ 137,061.54
1997	Used Hwy Equipment	\$ 9,185.46	\$ 557.71			\$ 9,743.17
1989	School Bus	\$ 1,126.02	\$ 68.41			\$ 1,194.43
1992	School Buildings	\$ 29,577.29	\$ 1,795.53			\$ 31,372.82
1999	New Library Bld Fund	\$ 10,013.42	\$ 10,639.84			\$ 20,653.26
	Total	\$321,387.38	\$245,041.43	\$ -		\$ 566,428.81
Total Trust Funds		\$575,979.27	\$307,775.37	\$19,776.93		\$ 863,977.71

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of Sunapee as of and for the year ended December 31, 1999 as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group, which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town of Sunapee has not maintained a historical cost record of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Sunapee, as of December 31, 1999, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements on the Town of Sunapee taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements listed as schedules in the table of contents of the audit are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Sunapee. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

Respectfully submitted,
Plodzik & Sanderson
Professional association

EXHIBIT A
TOWN OF SUNAPEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Combined Balance Sheet
All Fund Types and Account Group
December 31, 1999

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>		<u>Fiduciary Fund Types</u>	<u>Account Group</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Trust and Agency</u>	<u>General Long-Term Debt</u>	<u>(Memorandum Only)</u>
<u>Assets</u>					
Cash and Equivalents	\$ 892,199	\$ 1,534,195	\$ 5,449	\$	\$ 2,431,843
Investments	1,847,343	360,293	573,769		2,781,405
<u>Receivables (Net of Allowance For Uncollectible)</u>					
Interest		6,474			6,474
Taxes	628,749				628,749
Accounts	19,862	65,210			85,072
Special Assessments		440,382			440,382
Intergovernmental	22,273				22,273
Interfund Receivable	159,678	20,694	2,586,009		2,766,381
<u>Other Debits</u>					
Amount to be Provided for Retirement of General Long-Term Debt				3,332,763	3,332,763
TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS	<u>\$ 3,570,104</u>	<u>\$ 2,427,248</u>	<u>\$ 3,165,227</u>	<u>\$ 3,332,763</u>	<u>\$ 12,495,342</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</u>					
<u>Liabilities</u>					
Accounts Payable	\$ 683	\$	\$	\$	\$ 683
Accrued Payroll and Benefits	3,946				3,946
Contracts Payable		7,856			7,856
Retainage Payable		2,303			2,303
Intergovernmental Payable			2,648,679		2,648,679
Interfund Payable	2,606,703	157,135	2,543		2,766,381
Escrow and Performance Deposits			3,242		3,242
Deferred Revenue	14,498	436,537			451,035
General Obligation Debt Payable				2,955,763	2,955,763
Accrued Landfill					
Postclosure Care Costs				377,000	377,000
Total Liabilities	<u>2,625,830</u>	<u>603,831</u>	<u>2,654,464</u>	<u>3,332,763</u>	<u>9,216,888</u>
<u>Equity</u>					
<u>Fund Balances</u>					
Reserved For Endowments			115,639		115,639
Reserved For Encumbrances	125,348				125,348
Reserved For Special Purposes			395,124		395,124
<u>Unreserved</u>					
Designated For Special Purposes		1,823,417			1,823,417
Undesignated	818,926				818,926
Total Equity	<u>944,274</u>	<u>1,823,417</u>	<u>510,763</u>		<u>3,278,454</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	<u>\$ 3,570,104</u>	<u>\$ 2,427,248</u>	<u>\$ 3,165,227</u>	<u>\$ 3,332,763</u>	<u>\$ 12,495,342</u>

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement

EXHIBIT B
TOWN OF SUNAPEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
All Governmental Fund Types and Expendable Trust Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1999

	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>		<u>Fiduciary Fund Type</u>	<u>Total (Memorandum Only)</u>
	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Expendable Trust</u>	
Revenues				
Taxes	\$ 1,454,550	\$	\$	\$ 1,454,550
Licenses and Permits	509,415			509,415
Intergovernmental	208,147	43,759		251,906
Charges for Services	92,384	780,279		872,663
Miscellaneous	162,306	220,532	14,939	397,777
Other Financing Sources				
Operating Transfers In	164,504	126,767	158,689	449,960
Proceeds of General Obligation Debt		195,893		195,893
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	<u>2,591,306</u>	<u>1,367,230</u>	<u>173,628</u>	<u>4,132,164</u>
Expenditures				
Current				
General Government	360,865	35,648	281	396,794
Public Safety	398,383			398,383
Highways and Streets	678,378			678,378
Sanitation	306,568	468,547		775,115
Water Distribution and Treatment		344,738		344,738
Health	12,542			12,542
Welfare	57,905			57,905
Culture and Recreation	65,465	144,441		209,906
Conservation	1,900	926		2,826
Debt Service	204,303	303,649		507,952
Capital Outlay	215,077	74,186		289,263
Other Financing Uses				
Operating Transfers Out	264,604	19,489	162,818	446,911
Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	<u>2,565,990</u>	<u>1,391,624</u>	<u>163,099</u>	<u>4,120,713</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	25,316	(24,394)	10,529	11,451
Fund Balances - January 1	<u>918,958</u>	<u>1,847,811</u>	<u>325,355</u>	<u>3,092,124</u>
Fund Balances - December 31	<u>\$ 944,274</u>	<u>\$ 1,823,417</u>	<u>\$ 335,884</u>	<u>\$ 3,103,575</u>

The notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

BALANCE SHEET – UNAUDITED

Assets as of 12/31/00

CASH ON HAND:

General Fund	\$ 3,228,563.11
Hydro Electric Fund	599,519.62
Water Dept. Funds	670,066.46
Sewer Dept. Funds	780,675.48
Misc. Other Funds	92,098.64

FUNDS IN CUSTODY OF TREASURER: \$ 5,370,923.31

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:

Due from School	7,678.34
Due from Hydro Fund – Perkins Pond Article	74,186.49
Misc. Accounts Receivable	5,338.56

TOTAL: \$ 87,203.39

TAXES UNCOLLECTED:

Levy of 2000	590,459.81
Levy of 1999	569,641.99
Levy of 1998	121,803.44
Levy of 1997	58,934.51
Levy of 1996	3,368.79

TOTAL: \$ 1,344,208.54

TOTAL AR/UNCOLLECTED: \$ 1,431,411.93

TOTAL ASSETS/GRAND TOTAL: \$ 6,802,335.24

LIABILITIES AS OF 12/31/00:

Overpayment of Taxes	10,774.24
Unexpended Balances:	
State Education Funding (00 Art 7)	19,693.32
Highway Department Truck (00 Art. 21)	1,202.00
Highway Garage Map 7, Lot 49 (96 Art. 40)	24541.00
Landfill Closure (98 Art. 21)	18,057.00
Feasibility Study (95 Art. 32)	675.00
01-4150-10-620 Postage	2,000.00
01-4152-10-312 Assessing	4,200.00
01-4520-70-350 Recreation Trees & Dugouts	2,605.00
01-4220-50-730 Fire Department Roof	2,600.00
Total:	86,347.56
Due to Other Funds:	
Friends of Town Hall	545.92
Bartlett Tyler Fund	37,305.68
Sunapee Center Associates	427.81
Bandstand Account	2,661.82
Conservation Commission	27,127.09
Dewey Woods Commission	3,719.55
Harbor Ridge Property Invest. Pool	2,905.96
Special Recreation Account	14,604.74
Coffin Memorial Park	243.01
Special Fund – Pistol Permits	2,557.06
Hydro Account	599,519.62
Water Department Fund	670,066.46
Sewer Department Fund	780,675.48
Due to School	2,671,866.00
Total:	4,814,226.20
TOTAL LIABILITIES:	\$ 4,900,573.76
FUND BALANCE (Assets vs. Liabilities):	\$ 1,901761.48
Fund Balance December 31, 1999	\$ 1,418,809.23
Fund Balance December 31, 2000	\$ 1,901,761.48
Change in Financial Condition:	\$ 482,952.25

TREASURERS REPORT

Ending Balance December 31, 1999		4,597,320.80
	Receipts	Expenditures
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	9,995,607.78	
Selectmen	1,164,618.88	10,752,767.60
Interest(General Fund)	105,823.54	
Miscellaneous Collection	332.41	402.50
Hydro Account	231,073.82	192,414.02
Friends of the Town Hall	15.10	
Bartlett-Tyler Fund	981.88	
Sunapee Center Association	11.63	
Bandstand Account	234.38	200.00
Conservation Commission	11,565.99	
Dewey Woods Commission	82.90	
Harbor Ridge Property Account	80.36	
Special Recreation Account	17,740.18	17,840.61
Coffin Memorial Park	6.60	
Special Account - pistol permits	159.41	
Sewer Department General Fund	687,158.41	656,392.13
Sewer Department Construction Bond Acct.	42,812.70	85,251.72
Sewer Department Replacement Fund	30,092.21	
Sewer Department Capital Improve. Fund	63,493.09	52,707.47
Sewer Department Garnet Hill Rd Project	58,288.33	53,967.83
Water Department General Fund	376,304.57	479,565.19
Water Department Capital Improve Fund	5,564.35	
Water Department Replacement Acct.	10,725.33	
Water Department DWSRF Repayment Acct.	247,088.15	75,821.38
Water Department 1997 Treatment Bond	85,070.96	
Balance on Hand December 31, 2000		5,370,923.31

FUNDS ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2000

LSB	Money Market	958,687.99
LSB	Checking	24,106.81
NH	Public Deposit Investment Pool	2,245,768.31
SRSB	Friends of the Town Hall	545.92
SRSB	Bartlett-Taylor Fund	37,305.68
LSB	Sunapee Center Association	427.81
SRSB	Bandstand Account	2,661.82
LSB	Conservation Commission	27,127.09
SRSB	Dewey Woods Commission	3,719.55
SRSB	Harbor Ridge Property Invest-Pool	2,905.96
SRSB	Special Recreation Fund	14,604.74
LSB	Coffin Memorial Park	243.01
SRSB	Special Fund - Pistol Permits	2,557.06
SRSB	Hydro Account	90,101.36
PDIP	Hydro Account	509,418.26
LSB	Sewer Dept. Checking Account	18,145.00
LSB	Sewer Dept. Surplus Account	104,480.93
LSB	Sewer Dept. Constrution Bond Acct.	53,167.50
LSB	Sewer Dept. Replacement Fund	121,926.18
SRSB	Sewer Dept. Capital Improve. Fund	3,871.24
PDIP	Sewer Dept. Capital Improve. Fund	437,588.25
SRSB	Sewer Dept. Garnet Hill Rd Project	41,496.38
LSB	Water Dept. Checking Account	12,080.52
LSB	Water Dept. Surplus Account	20,588.69
PDIP	Water Dept. General Fund	254,244.55
SRSB	Water Dept. Capital Improve. Fund	58,984.46
LSB	Water Dept. Replacement Account	26,114.47
SRSB	Water Dept. Construction in Progress	212,982.81
PDIP	Water Dept. 1997 Treatment Bond	85,070.96
Balance on Hand December 31, 2000		5,370,923.31

SHOWING ANNUAL MATURATES OF OUTSTANDING LONG TERM NOTES AND BONDS

DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE	ORIGINAL AMOUNT	ISSUE DATE	MATURITY DATE	INTEREST RATE %	OUTSTANDING DECEMBER 31, 1999
Sewer Bond	\$ 1,933,000.00	1974	2001	5.00	\$ 131,000.00
Water Bond	\$ 350,000.00	1974	2001	5.00	\$ 20,000.00
Sewer Bonds	\$ 453,300.00	1986	2001	7.00	\$ 60,000.00
Sewer Construction Bonds	\$ 806,250.00	1991	2001	7.00	\$ 160,000.00
Sewer Construction Bonds	\$ 393,750.00	1991	2001	7.00	\$ 75,000.00
State Revolving Loan	\$ 469,777.00	1996	2005	3.00	\$ 296,221.00
Water Filtration Bond	\$ 783,400.00	1997	2027	5.00	\$ 758,676.00
Water Filtration Bond	\$ 1,300,000.00	1997	2027	5.00	\$ 1,258,973.00
State Revolving Loan Fund	\$ 195,893.00 *	1999			\$ 195,893.00
Subtotal:					<u>\$ 2,955,763.00</u>
Accrued Landfill Post-closure Care Costs					<u>\$ 377,000.00</u>
Total General Long-term Debt Account Group:					<u><u>\$ 3,332,763.00</u></u>

* Repayment of the State Revolving Loan does not commence until the project is complete.

The annual requirements to amortize all general obligation debt outstanding as of December 31, 1999, including interest payments, are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending December 31,	Principal	Interest	Total
2000	\$ 307,144.00	\$ 131,983.00	\$ 439,127.00
2001	\$ 305,140.00	\$ 115,064.00	\$ 420,204.00
2002	\$ 87,759.00	\$ 102,046.00	\$ 189,805.00
2003	\$ 91,005.00	\$ 98,801.00	\$ 189,806.00
2004	\$ 94,385.00	\$ 95,420.00	\$ 189,805.00
2005-2027	<u>\$ 1,874,437.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,235,933.00</u>	<u>\$ 3,110,370.00</u>
Subtotals	<u>\$ 2,759,870.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,779,247.00</u>	<u>\$ 4,539,117.00</u>
State Revolving Loan	<u>\$ 195,893.00</u>	<u>\$ 195,893.00</u>	<u>\$ 195,893.00</u>
Totals	<u><u>\$ 2,955,763.00</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,779,217.00</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,735,010.00</u></u>

All debt is general obligation debt of the Town, which is backed by its full faith and credit. All debt will be repaid from general government revenues.

TOWN CLERK & TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

The first year of the new millennium was very exciting. In late November our office went on-line with the State of New Hampshire for automobile registrations. We can now perform more functions for you, so please check with us before making the trip to a State Motor Vehicle Office. Along with this on-line affiliation we have the privilege of selling the new conservation plates i.e. moose plates. We are very excited about this new venture and thank the Division of Motor Vehicles for giving us this opportunity.

The year 2000 should go down in our history as the year of the elections. The Town of Sunapee held a total of five - from local to state, and the infamous national election. Again, we want to thank the voters for our tabulating machine. It is very accurate and we get our results in an expedited time frame. Just a reminder for those who are away at the time of elections, absentee ballots are always available.

The dog-licensing program continues to run smoothly. It is required that NH Veterinarians notify the town clerk where the owner resides within 40 days of the rabies vaccination. The town clerk then notifies you if your dog has not been licensed. In accordance with RSA 466:1, **all dogs 4 months or older are required to be licensed prior to April 30th of each year.** Dogs not licensed prior to June 1st will be subject to a \$25.00 fine.

This year you will see a new format in your property tax bills. We are converting to a new vendor for our tax and assessment software. There will be a learning curve involved, so please bear with us during this transition. The new software will allow us to perform more functions; therefore we will be able to provide better service to our taxpayers.

The Office of Town Clerk & Tax Collector looks forward to serving you even better in 2001. We have an agreement with the Division of Motor Vehicles to do mail in registrations, so stay tuned. Please call us or drop by our office with any suggestions.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty H. Ramspott
Town Clerk & Tax Collector

TOWN CLERK ACTIVITY				
JANUARY 1-DECEMBER 31, 2000				
Town Clerk Monies:				
Remittances made to Treasurer - 2000:				
	Auto Registrations:		\$	499,199.00
	Boat Registrations:		\$	1,516.63
	Dog Licenses:			
	Town of Sunapee		\$	1,687.50
	State of NH		\$	273.50
	Dept. of Agriculture		\$	984.00
	Vital Statistics		\$	1,762.00
	Clerk Fees:			
	Auto Registrations		\$	19,520.00
	Dog Licenses		\$	561.00
	UCC Filings		\$	1,465.99
	Wetland's Applications		\$	331.25
	Vital Statistics		\$	484.00
	Registration Refunds		\$	179.40
	Total Remittances:		\$	527,964.27
Tax Collector Monies:				
LEVY OF 2000				
Taxes Committed to Collector - 2000:				
	Property Taxes		\$	9,086,833.29
	Change In Use		\$	26,760.00
	Utilities		\$	118,077.70
	Yield Taxes		\$	10,023.23
Interest Collected on:				
	Property Taxes		\$	5,700.02
	Yield Taxes		\$	0.02
	Change In Use		\$	68.05
TOTAL DEBITS				\$ 9,247,462.31
Remittances made to Treasurer - 2000:				
	Property Taxes		\$	8,493,120.48
	Change In Use		\$	26,560.00
	Utilities		\$	118,077.70

	Yield Taxes		\$	9,727.38	
	Interest on Property Taxes		\$	5,700.02	
	Interest on Yield Taxes		\$	0.02	
	Interest on Change In Use		\$	68.05	
Abatements:					
	Property Taxes		\$	3,453.00	
	Yield Taxes		\$	295.85	
Uncollected - 12/31/00					
	Property Taxes		\$	590,259.81	
	Yield Taxes		\$	200.00	
TOTAL CREDITS					\$ 9,247,462.31
LEVY OF 1999					
Uncollected - 1/1/00					
	Property Taxes		\$	569,641.99	
Interest on Property Taxes			\$	35,556.79	
Added Taxes					
	Water, Sewer, Bond		\$	36,088.14	
TOTAL DEBITS					\$ 641,286.92
Remittances made to Treasurer - 2000:					
	Property Taxes		\$	563,648.43	
	Water, Sewer, Bond-W&S		\$	13,553.62	
	Water, Sewer, Bond- Tax Lien		\$	22,534.52	
	Interest on Property Taxes		\$	35,556.79	
Overpayments-Property Taxes					
Abatements:					
	Property Tax		\$	5,993.56	
TOTAL CREDITS					\$ 641,286.92
SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS					
1999 TAX LEVY					
Taxes Sold to Town - 2000			\$	183,972.98	
Interest & Costs			\$	3,348.32	
TOTAL DEBITS					\$ 187,321.30
Remittances Made to Treasurer - 2000					
	Redemptions		\$	51,180.29	
	Interest & Costs		\$	3,348.32	

Abatements		\$	451.16	
Uncollected - 12/31/00		\$	132,341.53	
TOTAL CREDITS				\$ 187,321.30
1998 TAX LEVY				
Uncollected - 1/1/00		\$	121,803.44	
Interest & Costs		\$	11,288.76	
TOTAL DEBITS				\$ 133,092.20
Remittances Made to Treasurer - 2000				
Redemptions		\$	53,587.76	
Interest & Costs		\$	11,288.76	
Abatements		\$	424.25	
Uncollected - 12/31/00		\$	67,791.43	
TOTAL CREDITS				\$ 133,092.20
1997 TAX LEVY				
Uncollected - 1/1/00		\$	58,934.51	
Interest & Costs		\$	18,742.17	
TOTAL DEBITS				\$ 77,676.68
Remittances Made to Treasurer - 2000				
Redemptions		\$	53,693.71	
Interest & Costs		\$	18,742.17	
Abatements		\$	465.82	
Uncollected - 12/31/00		\$	4,774.98	
TOTAL CREDITS				\$ 77,676.68
1996 TAX LEVY				
Uncollected - 1/1/00		\$	3,368.79	
Interest & Costs		\$	1,349.24	
TOTAL DEBITS				\$ 4,718.03
Remittances Made to Treasurer - 2000				
Redemptions		\$	2,931.18	
Interest & Costs		\$	1,349.24	
Abatements		\$	437.61	
TOTAL CREDITS				\$ 4,718.03

2000 TAX RATE COMPUTATION

TOWN PORTION

Appropriations	\$ 3,842,852	
Less: Revenues	\$ 2,540,675	
Less: Shared Revenues	\$ 13,156	
Add: Overlay	\$ 100,352	
Add: War Service Credits	\$ 24,500	
Net Town Appropriation		\$1,413,873
Town Tax Rate		\$3.39

SCHOOL PORTION

Due to Local School	\$ 5,534,866	
Less: State Education taxes	\$ 2,155,513	
Net School Appropriation		\$3,379,353
School Tax Rate		\$8.11

STATE EDUCATION TAXES

Equalized Valuation (without Utilities) x 6.60	\$2,735,161	
Divided by Local Valuation (without utilities)		\$6.68
Less: Remitted to State	\$ 579,648	
State Education Taxes to School	\$2,155,513	

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County	\$ 1,705,401	
Less: Shared Revenues	\$ 5,086	
Net County Appropriation		\$1,700,401
County Tax Rate		<u>\$4.08</u>
Total Tax Rate:		<u>\$22.26</u>

Total Property Taxes Assessed:	\$ 9,228,788	
Less: War Service Credits	\$ 24,500	
Total Property Tax Commitment		\$ 9,204,288

2001 ESTIMATED TOWN PORTION OF TAX RATE

(Assuming passage of recommended Articles)

Appropriations	\$ 7,409,822	
Less: Revenues	\$ 5,748,587	
Less: Shared Revenues	\$ 13,156	
Add: Overlay	\$ 80,000	
Add: War Service Credits	\$ 24,500	
Net Town Appropriation		\$ 1,752,579
Estimated Town Tax Rate		4.20

**SUMMARY OF INVENTORY
2000**

Value of Land Only:

Current Use	\$ 752,222
Residential	\$ 218,988,290
Commercial/Industrial	\$ <u>6,209,400</u>

Total Taxable Land: \$ 225,949,912

Value of Buildings Only:

Residential	\$ 172,605,900
Manufactured Housing	\$ 1,319,600
Commercial/Industrial	\$ <u>10,668,500</u>

Total Taxable Buildings: \$ 184,594,000

Public Utilities: \$ 7,578,800

Valuation Before Exemptions: \$ 418,122,712

Exemptions:

Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities	\$ 36,300
Blind Exemptions	\$ 45,000
Elderly Exemptions	\$ <u>1,176,400</u>

Total Amount of Exemptions: \$ 1,257,700

Net Valuation on Which the Tax Rate for Municipal,
County and Local Education is Computed: \$ 416,865,012

Net Valuation without utilities on which Tax Rate for
State Education Tax is Computed: \$ 409,285,212

EXEMPTIONS AVAILABLE TO RESIDENT PROPERTY OWNERS

ELDERLY EXEMPTION:

There is an exemption for those property owners who meet the following qualifications:

1. You must be at least 65 years of age on or before April 1st.
2. Your income cannot exceed \$13,400, if you are single, or \$20,400 if you are married. This includes Social Security and other pensions, interest, and dividends, as well as any other earnings.
3. Your net assets may not exceed \$50,000. This excludes the value of your residence.

If you are 65-74 years of age and qualify, \$20,000 is deducted from your assessed valuation.

If you are 75-79 years of age and qualify, \$30,000 is deducted from your assessed valuation.

If you are 80 years of age or older and qualify, \$40,000 is deducted from your assessed valuation.

VETERAN'S CREDIT

There is a credit for eligible Veterans and/or Widows of Veterans. The credit is \$100 and is deducted after your taxes have been calculated and prior to mailing your second half tax bill.

BLIND EXEMPTION

If you are legally blind as determined by the Blind Services Department of the Vocational Rehabilitation Division of the Education Department you may be eligible for this exemption. For this exemption, \$15,000 is deducted from your assessed valuation.

Further information, and applications for these exemptions may be obtained from the Selectmen's Office, by calling (603) 763-2212, or you may e-mail us at office@town.sunapee.nh.us

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY

As of December 31, 1998

Map/Lot Property	Assessed		Insured Value	
	Value	Building Contents	Equipment	Vehicle
26/12 Town Hall, Building	243,900	220,000	50,000	
29/19 Coffin Park Land	19,300			
26/25 Library, Land & Building	172,200	250,000	600,000	
26/92 Police Department, Land & Buildings	150,300	400,000	60,000	61,725 77,767
<u>Fire Department Land & Buildings</u>				
14/69A Georges Mills Fire Station	60,300	67,740	20,000	
25/6 Sunapee Fire Station (building only)	99,100	154,410	82,000	311,400 726,800
25/6 Highway Department, buildings	46,000	123,165	40,000	43,175 683,000
25/6&6A Highway, Land (Garage, Fire Station, & Ballfield)	72,000			
7/47&49 Transfer/Recycling Facility	121,400	70,000	30,000	33,800 150,000
<u>Parks, Commons & Playgrounds:</u>				
6/1 Ski Tow	35,500			
6/9 Dewey Woods (incl.: 6/6,6/7, & 23/7)	206,800			
6/47 Bartlett-Tyler Lot	94,700			
14/40 Georges Mills Dock & Beach	352,100	20,000		
26/21 38 Main Street	14,800			
23/9 Dewey Beach (incl.: Pump Station)	481,900	96,600	1,150	
26/57 Town Docks - Sunapee Harbor	364,300	30,000		

Map/Lot	Property	Assessed		Insured Value	
		Value	Building	Contents	Equipment Vehicle
26/65	Ben Mere Park/Bandstand	47,600	60,000	10,000	
30/36	R.O.W. Burkehaven Lane	41,800			
14/59	R.O.W. Jobs Creek Road	73,000			
14/62	R.O.W. Jobs Creek Road	76,200			
	<u>Water Supply Facilities:</u>				
26/62A	R.O.W. to Reservoir	2,400			
26/90A	Pump Station - River Road	51,100	54,340	57,000	
10/7-4	Municipal Water Supply Land	89,100	280,183	201,183	
10/26-1	Tank Site	239,600	84,600	4,300	
4/24-H	Harbor Hill Road (land & buildings)	1,863,400	1,546,074	121,512	22,000
	<u>Sewer Plant & Facilities:</u>				
5/22	Treatment Plant	2,838,000	573,965	148,575	135,039
Various	Land & Pump Stations	181,500	1,026,078		
26/11	<u>Hydroelectric Plant</u>	1,314,200	131,250	400,000	
Various	Dams (Otter Pond, Ledge Pond, Hydro, Reflection Pool)		190,000		
	<u>Schools, Land & Buildings</u>				
7/55	Middle/High School	2,235,100			
22/28	Playground	73,100			
22/42	Land off Lower Main Street	200			
25/4&4A	Elementary School, House, Gym	1,824,700			

Map/Lot Property	Assessed		Insured Value	
	Value	Building	Contents	Equip. Vehicle
<u>Land & Buildings acquired through Tax Lien</u>				
3/1-14&15 Penacook Path	25,800			
7/45-2 Land off Sargent Road	4,100			
7/45-5 Land off Sargent Road	21,200			
17/2 Fernwood Point Road	17,400			
<u>Cemeteries</u>				
Land (incl.: 9/15, 9/34, 14/42B, 22/16)	29,500			12,000
<u>All Other Town owned property and equipment</u>				
Ledge Pond (incl.: 10/15,11/15,11/16,11/21)	783,300			
Parking Lots (incl.: 26/20,26/22,26/53-1)	82,000			
8/6 Webb-Flint Lot	26,200			
23/1&2 Land on Route 11	43,000			
10/44 Spaulding Property - Otter Pond	23,100			
26/10 Information Booth	45,400			
30/9 Birch Point Road	96,300			
5/56-2 Crowther Chapel	17,700	30,000	105,000	
4/21-E Stagecoach Lane - Backland	8,200			
5/27-A Off Route 11 - Near Treatment Plant Rd.	20,000			
8/39 Jobs Creek Road - Wooded Lot	25,700			
<u>TOTALS</u>	16,226,110	5,408,405	1,930,720	585,139 1,712,167

SUMMARY OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT 2000

Article 1:	Officers elected on non-partisan ballot 03-14-00
Article 2:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 3:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 4:	Reports Heard.
Article 5:	Ballot vote. Failed.
Article 6:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 7:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 8:	Ballot vote. Failed.
Article 9:	Ballot vote. Passed
Article 10:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 11:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 12:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 13:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 14:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 15:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 16:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 17:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 18:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 19:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 20:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 21:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 22:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 23:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 24:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 25:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 26:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 27:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 28:	Ballot vote. Passed.
Article 29:	Ballot vote. Failed.
Article 30:	Ballot vote. Failed.
Article 31:	Ballot vote. Failed.

Abbott Library Report
For the year ending December 31, 2000

<u>Statistics:</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>
Circulation	42,176	43,633
Patrons	20,763	20,619
Copies	12,129	12,307
New Registrations	271	310
Internet users	1,199	755
Ill requests to Abbott Library	1,057	847
Ill requests by Abbott Library	312	273

Collection additions:

Adult – fiction	518	768
Adult – non-fiction	371	274
Children – fiction	320	296
Children – non-fiction	170	144
Video	85	87
Audio	158	98
CD's	10	25
Computer Station	1	

<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>1,633</u>	<u>1,670</u>
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Discards	1,050	575
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Special Projects:

1. A new computer with a larger and faster capacity was purchased for the office. The old office computer was installed in the Elementary Children's room with educational games and music for children ages 3 through 8 years.
2. In August we purchased an Electrolux Vacuum to replace our 8- year-old Windsor that had been repaired several times.
3. During the summer our web site was created and is being hosted by Sugar-River Valley. Please check our site at <http://abbott.sugar-river.net>.
4. The Friends of Abbott Library have again had a successful year with their annual events and after providing for the library three special guests at our summer reading program "Reading Cats and Dogs", a Hewlett Packard Scanjet, and Follett Software, "Bartender" program have invested the remainder of their proceeds for the library's future needs.

5. Three very special Friends of the Library worked together to repair our sign. Another very special person built a new outside "Book Drop" to replace the aging and failing green metal box.

Programs:

Our Library Volunteer Crew of 9 continue to perform many tasks that help keep the library running smoothly and safely by giving over 1,000 hours this year working on our Book Sale, evenings providing extra coverage and working on special projects, our Thursday morning preschool Story hour, and keeping our shelves and storage area in proper order. We are very grateful for their time and energy.

Friends sponsored Programs:

1. Music for Kids with Kathy Lowe at the Sunapee Elementary School attended by 42 students, parents and teachers.
2. Hampstead Players Greek Mythology at the Sherburne Gym attended by 225 plus students.
3. Read Across America, special guest readers visited classrooms throughout the day.
4. Summer Reading program held weekly during July, open to all children living or staying in Sunapee. Approximately 30 children participated in the program.
5. Residents were invited to share some Christmas cheer with the Friends and staff December 18th.

Our sincere thanks to all our Friends and their friends who help to make this a great library for our community.

A special thanks to our Board of Trustees for their many hours of services to Abbott Library. Also our sincere thanks to the Board members who recently resigned for their generous contribution during their years of service.

Respectfully submitted,
Patricia Hand

**Abbott Library Treasurer's Report for the year ending
December 31, 2000**

INCOME:

Bal. Forward		\$	398.18
Book Reimb	\$	1,321.04	
Copier Receipts	\$	844.05	
Fax	\$	183.00	
Friends	\$	188.19	
Interest Income	\$	45.00	
NH Char. Trust Fund	\$	84.78	
Non Res. Members	\$	120.00	
Reinbursements	\$	3,450.40	
Town Allotment	\$	123,235.50	
Trust Fund Income	\$	791.14	
<u>TOTAL INCOME`</u>	\$	130,263.10	\$ 130,661.28

EXPENSES:

FT Wages	\$	28,465.08	
PT Wages	\$	30,422.25	
Benefits	\$	5,283.48	
FICA-Medic	\$	4,375.40	
Retirement	\$	778.39	
Unemploy.Comp	\$	186.09	
Work Comp	\$	243.09	
Telephone	\$	1,883.23	
Internet	\$	1,374.75	
Computer	\$	2,060.00	
Xerox Lease	\$	1,080.00	
Equipment Repair	\$	43.20	
Electricity	\$	2,367.27	
Heat	\$	446.01	
Water	\$	295.00	
Sewer	\$	285.00	
Bldg. Repair	\$	840.45	
SIS	\$	264.00	
Insurance	\$	1,197.83	
Trng / Mtgs	\$	130.00	
Advertising	\$	25.00	
Memberships	\$	340.00	
General Supplies	\$	4,793.60	
Postage	\$	601.50	
Maint & Repair	\$	104.64	
Office Equipment	\$	2,830.25	
Collections Materials	\$	30,381.99	
<u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u>			\$ 121,097.50
<u>ENDING BALANCE</u>			\$ 9,563.78

REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST FIRE RANGER

There are 2,200 Forest Fire Wardens and Deputy Forest Fire Wardens throughout the State. Each Town has a Forest Fire Warden and Several Deputy Forest Fire Wardens who assist the Forest Rangers with forest fire suppression, prevention, and law enforcement. The number of fires reported during the 2000 fire season was below average as referenced in the statistics below. Despite this, our network of fire towers and detection patrols were still quite busy with the fire towers being first to report over 135 fires. These fires were quickly and accurately reported to the local Fire Department for their prompt and effective suppression efforts. Wildland fires occurring in areas where homes are situated in the woodlands are a serious concern for both landowners and firefighters. Homeowners can help protect their homes by maintaining adequate green space around them and making sure that houses are properly identified with street numbers. Please contact the Forest Protection Bureau to request a brochure to assist you in assessing fire safety around your home and woodlands.

To aid your Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and State Forest Ranger, contact your local Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing ALL outside burning. Fire permits are required for any open burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow where the burning will be done. Violations of RSA 227-L:17, the fire permit law and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire, are misdemeanors punishable by fines of up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail. Violators are also liable for all fire suppression costs.

There are eleven Forest Rangers who work for the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands, Forest Protection Bureau. Forest Rangers have investigated numerous complaints regarding violations of the timber laws and forest fire laws, and taken enforcement action to ensure compliance. If you have any questions regarding forest fire or timber harvest laws, please call our office at 271-2217, or for general information visit our website at www.dred.state.nh.us.

The State of New Hampshire operates 15 fire towers, 2 mobile patrols, and 3 contract aircraft patrols. This early detection and reports from citizens' aid in the quick response from local Fire Departments. These factors are critical in controlling the size of wildland fires and keeping the loss of property and suppression costs as low as possible. Due to permitting and fire safety concerns, please contact your local Fire Department BEFORE using portable outdoor fire places and vessels, including those constructed of clay, concrete, or wire mesh.

Please contact your local Fire Department before doing ANY outside burning.

REMEMBER ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES!!

2000 FIRE STATISTICS

(All Fires Reported thru November 10, 2000)

FIRES REPORTED BY COUNTY

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

	<u>#s</u>	<u>Acres</u>		
Belknap	54	13	Debris Burning	263
Carroll	46	10	Miscellaneous*	151
Cheshire	41	20	Smoking	30
Coos	30	4	Children	17
Grafton	16	7	Campfire	16
Hillsborough	118	40	Arson/Suspicious	14
Merrimack	92	16	Equipment Use	9
Rockingham	49	24	Lighting	9
Strafford	58	13	Railroad	7
Sullivan	12	2		
<u>Total</u>	<u>Fires</u>	<u>Acres</u>	*Miscellaneous-powerlines, fireworks structures, OHRV, unknown	
2000	516	149		
1999	1301	452		
1998	798	443		

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas C. Miner, Forest Ranger and Daniel Ruggles, Forest Fire Warden

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

During the year 2000, the Sunapee Fire Department responded to 333 calls, which include both fire and EMS. No major incidents occurred in 2000. This again confirms that Sunapee's fire prevention is working well.

A new key box system was purchased this year. This system benefits anyone who has a fire alarm system in their home. With a key box the fire department can enter a home without damage. If you have not already done so, please contact the fire department to obtain the paperwork necessary to purchase a key box. This is a fully secure system, where only the fire department can enter your home in case of emergency.

A "Files of Life" system was also purchased this year. A plastic holder adheres to your refrigerator. In this holder is an information sheet containing pertinent medical information (i.e. age, allergies, medicines), which should be completed by all household members and left on your refrigerator. These Files benefit both you and the EMS if kept up to date. Please contact the fire department if you do not have one. They will be provided to you free of charge.

EMS week has is a new program being held in the schools. This program will educate children, particularly about 911 and the File of Life.

Dispatch was moved from Newport to New London. This was a necessary and successful change.

We are asking to purchase a utility/EMS truck this year so equipment necessary for EMS calls can be transported to the scene of the call efficiently, instead of in personal vehicles as it now is.

Below is a summary of the runs made by the Fire Department and EMS:

5	Water Problems	51	Car Accidents
20	Falls	1	Car Fire
27	Diabetic Emergencies	30	Fire Alarm Activations
15	Chest Pain	4	Mutual Aid Calls
31	Shortness of Breath	7	Carbon Monoxide Calls
7	Seizures	1	LP Gas Lead
25	Trauma	9	Oil Spills
6	Drug and Alcohol Incidents	10	Smoke Investigations
7	Possible Attempted Suicides	4	Good Intent Calls
3	Bleeding	4	Water Rescues
1	Labor	5	Brush Fires
3	Choking	2	Structure Fires
5	Abdominal Pain	7	Chimney Fire
9	Lift Assists	7	Wires Down
8	Unresponsive	12	Fainting
7	Psychological		

We are very appreciative of the people who support our department. Please continue to dial 911 for all emergency calls, and remember, smoke detectors save lives. Please check your detectors once a month to be sure they are operational.

Respectfully Submitted,

For the Board of Engineers, Daniel Ruggles, Chief; Duane Abbott, Dana Ramspott, David Williams, Deputy Chiefs

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Sunapee Police Department encountered numerous changes during the year 2000. The most notable of those changes was the August 9th retirement of Chief Alan J. Soucy who had served our Town since March 16, 1992. Chief Soucy had a long, and distinguished law enforcement career, which began with his graduation from the New Hampshire Police Academy in 1973. Chief Soucy then

began his career with the Newport Police Department where he rose to the rank of Sergeant, before leaving to become a Lieutenant for the Meredith Police Department, and then the Chief of Sunapee. Chief Soucy attended numerous training schools, and maintained memberships in several law enforcement associations throughout his career. Chief Soucy's leadership skills, sense of humor, and devotion to the Town will long be remembered by all. The past and present members of the Sunapee Police Department also want to extend our sincere appreciation and gratitude to Chief Soucy for his years of dedicated service. We also want to thank his wife Ellen, and daughter Carolyn, for the personal sacrifices they made during Chief Soucy's tenure.

Several highway safety grants were applied for and received by the police department during 2000. The grants were used for specialized D.W.I. and radar enforcement patrols conducted during various times of the year.

In January Officer Richard D. Kelley graduated from the New Hampshire Police Academy. Officer Kelley is a Sunapee resident, attended Castleton State College, and was previously employed as a part-time police officer with the Newport Police Department. Officer Kelley is certified in cardio pulmonary resuscitation and is an emergency medical technician.

There were several police department personnel changes occurring during 2000 among which was the March hiring of Jeffrey M. Downing who was hired to fill a vacant patrolman position. Officer Downing is a graduate of Saint Anselm College where he received a Bachelors Degree in Criminal Justice, and graduated from the New Hampshire Police Academy in October 2000. Officer Downing is an instructor in cardio-pulmonary resuscitation and is an emergency medical technician, and a scuba divemaster. Officer Downing resides in Sunapee.

In April Travis J. Trybulski was hired as a part-time patrolman. Officer Trybulski is a graduate of Montana State University where he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in sociology. Officer Trybulski graduated from the Basic Part-Time Officers' School at the New Hampshire Police Academy in June 2000. I also want to take this opportunity to thank part-time Sunapee police officers Peter Newbern, Richard Brown, and Jeff Reed for supplementing our work force whenever they were needed during our personnel rebuilding process. Each of these officers has been with the police department for several years, and has served the community well

In August Police Sergeant Catherine C. (Casey) Laurie resigned from the position she had held since summer of 1999. We wish Casey the best of luck in her future endeavors.

In August I was hired as the Town's new Police Chief. Prior to assuming this position I was a Criminal Justice Investigator with the New Hampshire Attorney Generals Office, and a former Detective with the Concord Police Department. I hold a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from the University of New Haven and a Master's Degree in Business Education from New Hampshire College. My wife Dianne Perkins and I are lifelong residents of New Hampshire and have lived in Sunapee for the past few years. I want to take this opportunity to personally thank Chief Soucy for his assistance, patience, and advice during our transition process. Chief Soucy's insight into the Town of Sunapee's expectations of its police department has already proved to be invaluable. I wish Chief Soucy the best of fishing days in the future, and the opportunity to enjoy spending time with his family once again.

In December Eric C. Daignault of Sunapee was hired as our Town's new Police Sergeant. Sergeant Daignault brings twelve years of experience from the Newport Police Department, where he last served as a Detective Sergeant. Sergeant Daignault attended the New Hampshire Technical Institute, and is a graduate of the New Hampshire Police Academy. Sergeant Daignault's experience includes adult and juvenile court prosecutions, patrol, field training responsibilities, and has served as a D.A.R.E. officer. Sergeant Daignault resides in Sunapee with his son Justin. I extend a hearty welcome to all the members of the "new" Sunapee Police Department, and look forward to serving the community with such a well trained, professional staff for years to come.

The primary responsibility of the Sunapee Police Department is the protection of life and property. This is accomplished through the reactive and proactive patrol process. The majority of each officer's time is spent in the reactive process responding to emergency calls for service, performing motor vehicle stops, conducting investigations, gathering evidence, report writing, making arrests and testifying in court. During the year 2000 the Sunapee Police Department responded to over 4,400 calls for service. An equally important function is each officer's performance of their proactive patrol responsibilities, which includes among other tasks DWI patrols, radar enforcement, home and business security checks, and community policing.

The Town was also blessed once again this past summer with the re-appearance of retired police officer Kenneth "Biff" Ranney's at the Sunapee Harbor boat launch. Biff's duties included assisting the general public with their boat launch, and providing information about the Town to visiting tourists.

As most of you know, Administrative Secretary and Part-Time Officer Dawn Famiglietti, is a certified child passenger safety specialist who provides assistance to residents in the installation, use and selection of the proper size car seat for your child or grandchild. Based on a car seat grant received by the

police department we are able to provide infant, toddler and booster car- seats free of charge to residents. During 2000 Famiglietti attended the Traffic Occupant Protection Strategies (TOPS) program and received her certification as an instructor. Famiglietti will be conducting training sessions for police officers in the area during the upcoming year regarding the proper use and installations of car seats, and the proper use of seatbelts in the cruisers. Famiglietti was also instrumental in assisting Chief Soucy and myself during our transition period.

During 2000 the Sunapee Police Benevolent Association received several generous donations from local citizens that we intend to use to purchase items necessary for the overall functioning of the police department. These donations help reduce the Town's expenses as they relate to the operation of the police department, and are greatly appreciated by all members of the department.

During my short tenure here I've also had an opportunity to meet, and often work in conjunction with, other departments within this great community. It is obvious to me that there is truly a "team spirit" amongst all departments, and that the Town's best interests are always being considered. I want to personally thank all of those departments for the limitless assistance they provide the police department during the course of the year and let them know it does not go unnoticed.

Finally, the police department is here to answer any questions or concerns you have. Please feel free to call or stop into the police department for a cup of coffee and speak with me about any of the above.

Respectfully submitted,
Christopher T. Domian, Chief of Police

LAKE SUNAPEE REGION VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION

It seems that everywhere we look we see or read something about technology and its impact on our lives. Increasingly we communicate, shop, investigate and learn online. During the past year, Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association has invested resources and time to educate staff so that we can use technology to its best advantage in caring for patients in their homes. Since so much of what we do involves the healing touch you might wonder why we would invest so heavily in technology. Our mission at Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association is to provide home health services that will preserve the dignity and independence of those for whom we provide care. Technology is one tool that supports that mission.

Over the past year, we have spent a great deal of time preparing for a change in Medicare reimbursement going from a cost-reimburse system to a prospective payment system (PPS). This is the first major change to Medicare since it was

initiated in 1965. Under PPS each patient must receive a comprehensive assessment called OASIS, a questionnaire involving over 100 questions about the patient's clinical status, functional status and need for therapy. From those questions, a payment for an episode of care lasting up to 60 days is determined. One of our major concerns was to ensure that we provided technology that would allow the nurses and therapists to collect this information, but have the time needed to actually provide *care* to the patient. Over the summer, all clinicians have been trained and received laptop computers. This allows the staff access to the most up to date information on each patient and allows administration to have the data necessary for regulatory and reporting purposes.

We have also invested in state of the art technology or contracted with other providers to bring the latest in clinical advances to your home. As patients leave the hospital more quickly or have operative procedures done on an outpatient basis, more technology is needed in the home. This technology enhances patient care, improves efficiency and lowers costs. Technology can allow a terminally ill child to be at home with his family or can allow an adult needing intravenous therapy to continue going to work.

During the past year we have also invested in training and in competency assessment for our staff to ensure that their assessment and treatment skills are of the highest quality to meet patient needs. We have specialists on staff in the areas of cardiology, wound care, diabetes, pediatrics and hospice. All of our clinical staff and the support staff back at the office are committed to achieving the best outcome for each and every patient we see. We are gratified by the strong community support we receive and by the comments on our care submitted by patients and families.

In fulfilling its mission, Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association provided a number of community benefits for residents of Merrimack and Sullivan counties in addition to charity care in excess of \$75,000.

- Administered the Lifeline Personal Response System for 208 individuals
- Provided weekly Parent Child Support Group sessions for 40 families, including free child care and transportation, if needed
- Presented community education programs on CPR, first aid, Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, Caregiver Training and others
- Trained 10 new Hospice Volunteers and provided continuing education for 16 established volunteers
- Participated in community health fairs
- Provided clinical experiences for 12 nursing students and special project sites and internships for nursing, business and social work students
- Provided meeting room space for outside groups

- Distributed weather emergency information and File of Life kits to each patient admitted to LSRVNA services
- Provided medication assistance and preventive dental care for needy children
- Provided storage space and distributed food for the Kearsarge Food Pantry
- Offered job shadowing opportunities for students from local high schools, technical schools, colleges and universities
- Participated on the Merrimack and Sullivan County ServiceLink advisory boards
- Provided vaccines free or at cost to adults in the community
- Promoted early reading by providing a children's book to each child delivered at New London Hospital
- Provided bereavement support groups and home visits

During the past year 482 residents of the town of Sunapee utilized the services of Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association. Our Home Care program provided 1592 visits to 101 patients. The Hospice program cared for 3 patients and their families providing 220 visits and 22 hours of volunteer and bereavement support. Our Pediatric programs served 70 children and families. The Long-term Care program provided 6054 hours of care for 35 patients. Influenza vaccine was administered to 269 residents and Life Line service was provided for 4 residents.

All of us at Lake Sunapee Region VNA thank you for your support, and look forward to providing home health, hospice and community services for the residents of Sunapee in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
Andrea Steel, President and CEO

THE NEW LONDON HOSPITAL SYSTEM OF CARE

A Message from the CEO

2000 was a dynamic year for New London Hospital, filled with many accomplishments. As part of our commitment to providing the finest health care services for our region, we listen to what you say you want when it comes to your health. We have continued our progress in transforming ourselves into a responsive health care system that is truly unusual for a community of our size. As we begin this first year of the new millennium, New London Hospital is poised to reach its vision of becoming the best community health care system in the Northeast.

We know we cannot expect to accomplish our vision alone, and therefore, we have set a course to recruit additional highly skilled medical professionals to join our already fine medical staff. It is important to us that you have access to medical care when you need it without having to travel out of the community. Therefore, this year we are recruiting physicians in internal medicine, pediatrics, OB/GYN and anesthesiology. We are also working on strengthening our relationships with visiting specialists, particularly in the areas of orthopaedics, neurology, gastroenterology and cardiology. We are committed to recruiting the highest caliber physicians, no matter what their specialty.

In order to attract these fine providers, we recognize that we must continue our investment in securing and maintaining state-of-the-art equipment and facilities and providing ongoing education necessary for our staff to keep abreast of the latest technology and treatments. This year, we have purchased a new mammography machine, bone densitometry unit, monitoring equipment for our intensive care unit and a variety of surgical equipment, including state-of-the-art arthroscopic, cataract and anesthesia equipment. In addition to these investments in technology, we are committed to improving the quality and efficiency of the care and services we provide.

We have introduced a number of innovative programs, such as an osteoporosis screening, prevention and treatment program, a state-of-the art incontinence care program and a diabetes education program, and will continue to design new services to meet the changing health care needs of the community. We are proud of our staffs' dedication and commitment to patient satisfaction. Over the course of this past year, every employee has taken part in our customer service initiatives, so that we can provide you with the level of service you expect from a first-class community hospital.

We are committed to providing this high quality care and service despite the fiscal challenges we face. The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 resulted in significant reductions in health care spending at the national level, and commercial insurers (e.g., Blue Cross, Cigna) continue to reduce their reimbursement to hospitals. All small, rural hospitals have been impacted by these changes. The financial results we are reporting for this past year are, to a large extent, the result of these reductions. While we admit that these are difficult hurdles that force us to find new ways to deliver care more efficiently, we are also excited about opportunities provided by technologic advances and the nature of how and where services are being delivered.

As we move forward into the year 2001, New London Hospital remains committed to meeting the health care needs of the communities we serve, while at the same time, moving steadily forward toward achieving our vision.

Community Benefits Summary

Category	Description	Unreimbursed Cost FY2000	Estimated Cost FY2001
Charity Care	health care services to individuals who cannot afford to pay	\$447,543	\$550,000
Community Services	classes, education for K-12 students, health fairs, lectures, screenings, support groups, women's health programs, worksite health promotion, etc.	37,244	41,185
Medical Education	continuing education, financial assistance for individuals to advance in the health care field, internships for college and vo-tech students	59,100	59,480
Subsidized Health Services	services needed by the community, but not fully paid by reimbursements such as ABC's day care, ambulance and primary care services	880,728	852,640
Cash/In-kind	ambulance coverage at community events, coordination of ARCH and needs assessment process, meeting room space, role in disaster preparedness, support of The Rock Dental Clinic, etc.	33,652	30,172
Total		\$1,458,267	\$1,533,477

Maureen A. McNamara, President and CEO
New London Hospital

SULLIVAN COUNTY NUTRITION SERVICES REPORT

Sullivan County Nutrition Services delivered over 5,400 meals in Sunapee during the year of 2000. In addition, our program provided 324 outreach services units, 182 Senior Companion visits, and 48 boxes of home delivered commodity food to Sunapee during this period.

The home delivered nutrition services program provides nutritious meals to older Americans, particularly those in great economic and social need who are home bound by reason of illness or disability and to those who are otherwise isolated due to transportation problems. Our services are designed to maintain or improve the health of these older Americans, preserve and support their independence, and prevent premature or unnecessary institutionalization.

The number of home delivered meals in Sunapee continues to grow each year and we feel that this trend will continue. We are finding that more and more senior citizens are in need of some type of assistance.

Sullivan County Nutrition Services provides over 100,000 meals each year to the senior citizens of Sullivan County. 70,000 of these meals are home delivered. Our meals on wheels drivers are responsible for checking on our clients each day when a meal is delivered. Should there be any problems, the appropriate person or agency is notified.

Sullivan County Nutrition Services wishes to thank the Board of Selectmen and the citizens of Sunapee for your support of the program. Your concern for the senior citizens of Sunapee and Sullivan County is to be commended. We are very thankful for the financial assistance we receive from the citizens of Sunapee.

Respectfully submitted,
Rodney Walker, Executive Director

KEARSARGE AREA COUNCIL ON AGING, INC.

Kearsarge Area Council on Aging, Inc. (KCOA) is a non-profit organization which was founded eight years ago in 1992 with the mission of providing services and programs for area citizens over the age of 55 (and adults under 55 who through disability may need assistance) which enhances the quality of their lives. Our service area includes the towns of: Andover, Danbury, Grantham, Newbury, New London, Springfield, Sunapee, Sutton and Wilmot.

This has been an eventful year for KCOA. We have worked, under a mandate from the State, which would like to keep elders out of expensive nursing homes, to become a satellite ServiceLink to the main centers established in two counties, Merrimack and Sullivan. Where other senior centers are just beginning to organize, we are already providing almost all of these services mandated by the state. Our transportation program, which boasts over 125 volunteer drivers and logged 23,000 miles in 2000, is a mode for other senior centers across the state. Other services we offer, such as Telephone Reassurance, Friendly Visitor, Mr. Fix-It, along with our position as a provider of Resource and Information are well developed and filling an ever-increasing need. We are presently working on developing another service, providing legal advice to seniors on a pro bono basis. 2000 has also been the year for strategic planning. A committee of directors and members has been meeting monthly to finalize a KCOA Strategic Plan that will be formalized early in 2001.

Social programs are a necessity for everyone, but particularly for older people. Some of those offered at the KCOA Center on Main Street in New London are:

Bridge (contract, duplicate and bridge for beginners), Photography, Quilting, Painting, "In Stitches," Greeting Card Making, Scrabble and Dominoes, Chair Exercises, and Tai Chi. Our computer instruction are ever popular, and our six computers are now equipped for e-mail. They are available for member use outside of regular instruction time. Such programs along with the monthly Conversations With Lunch and the Humanities Series (which this year was "No, But I Saw The Movie"), prove that seniors not only like to socialize, but to learn as well. Trips, which vary from race- track to museum, have become very popular. Members, donors and others keep up with KCOA's many activities through the monthly eight-page newsletter, The Courier, 1400 copies of which are disseminated each month.

KCOA's Outdoor Recreation For Seniors, is another model program, which gets 30-40 seniors outdoors for exercise once a week, be it snow shoeing or hiking, skiing or kayaking. We also offer indoor walking in winter, where participants keep track of their mileage.

Our Administrative Director, Nancy Friese, became our Executive Director this year and has been hard at work developing relationships with other centers, getting ready for our national accreditation and "tending to business" which she does so well. Our members know they have a ready source of information and a sympathetic ear in Nancy.

We are most grateful for the continuing financial support from our area nine towns, donors to our annual fund drive, foundation grants, the sponsors of our newsletter and individual clients. Thank you for your generosity! You will be receiving an Annual Report edition of the Courier early in February with more detailed information than possible here.

Sincerely yours,

Judy and Hugh Chapin, Co-Chairmen, Board of Directors

WELFARE REPORT

Despite a generally good economy nationally and globally, a number of families in our community found themselves "out of the loop" financially during the first year of our new millennium. Few, if any, of these circumstances were of the family's own making, but instead can be attributed to such factors as divorce, separation, domestic violence and the resulting displacements, and in a few cases, the closures, or "downsizing" of some area businesses and industries.

People without a solid financial base, especially those for whom maintaining good credit has been a problem, suffer when the above actions occur. So, too, do handicapped and some elderly persons and their families, because costs outrun their limited fixed incomes. This is especially true of fuel, food, and medicine.

Most handicapped persons, for example, who subsist on Social Security Disability Insurance are trying to live on incomes in the vicinity of \$600 to \$700 per month.

Some make mistakes in judgment that compound the difficulties, such as leasing furniture, paying too much for rent, or failing to utilize what is available to them through systems such as fuel assistance, legal aid, food stamps, or job training.

The Sunapee Welfare Department increased its work in 2000 with those whose income is marginal, trying to help them establish better control of some cost factors through better budgeting, and introducing them to new services for which their families qualify. We have been aided in this effort by such agencies as Southwestern Community Services, Partners in Health, NH Department of Health and Human Services, NH Legal Assistance, and the NH Housing Authority. All of those agencies, and others, have been of help to our struggling citizens in need.

Sunapee's voters have been kind in their recognition that a sound local welfare budget must be in place, and expansion of my hours for this past year was very helpful to our cause. It gave me the time to work on enlarging of our food pantry, our Toys Project at Christmas time, and other efforts aimed at helping those in need. We have worked toward recognizing and identifying the problem of elderly in need, and have leaned on the good graces of the Kearsarge Council on Aging to be of help in a variety of ways, including transportation, to our senior citizens.

Once again, it has been beneficial for me to maintain an office in my home, along with a separate telephone line that can be easily accessed by those in need, as well as those offering assistance from time to time. During 2000, we were able to provide various kinds of help to more than 125 people in the areas of rental assistance, rent deposits, car repairs, gasoline, home heating fuel and electricity, medical costs for the uninsured or underinsured, and of course, food.

We have also been able to assist to a limited extent with job and housing searches, connecting with medical services, emergency treatment including hearing aids, glasses, and transportation, and arrangements for child care. All of these activities are intended to help persons become more self-reliant for the present and the future.

Special persons seem to arrive on the scene when we need help, including the work put into our joint Springfield-Sunapee Christmas toys project by Springfield residents Laura Patten and Julie Charles. The Sunapee Lions Club, and the Georges Mills Ladies Aid Society, along with the Sunapee Senior Citizens, come through for us time and time again when we are in need of funds or assistance. The Community United Methodist Church again provided gift

certificates for meals at Thanksgiving and Christmas for families who might have otherwise gone without. The project was chaired again this year by Janet Ramspott for the church.

Also, around the holidays, under direction of school nurses Mal McLaughlin and Marilyn Sherman, students in both Sunapee schools provided non-perishable foods for the food pantry, and toys for our distribution process. This year, the unique idea of “charging” a fee of a toy or a food item for those attending the Christmas concert produced a multitude of good things.

As citizens, you have been kind in your donations. Not only the toys and funds for toys, wrapping paper, and the like at Christmas, but turkeys, hams, and other major items, including occasional furniture pieces, have been given. Our food pantry, in the basement of the Town Office, is a five day a week operation, and accepts both food items and funds from donors on a year round basis.

I cannot close without thanking those at the Sunapee Town Office who are of great help to our program. In the Town Clerk’s office, Betty Ramspott and Eileen Stiles are always willing to answer questions, respectfully, for our welfare clients. Lynne Wiggins continues to help me conquer our world of paperwork, and the Town Manager John Wheeler stands ready to answer my questions when I need him to. Finally, the most important cog in this particular wheel is front office secretary Catherine Bressette, who helps me, cajoles me when I need it, reminds me, and treats our clients so very well. She is a fine representative of our Town.

Please contact me should you ever have questions about the Sunapee Welfare Program.

Respectfully submitted,
Don Wrightington, Welfare Director

SULLIVAN COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Our organizational Mission Statement states: The Sullivan County Economic Development Council (SCEDC) is committed to the continuous creation of meaningful employment opportunities and the increasing of local property tax revenues within Sullivan County’s 15 communities. In support of this mission, the Council will pursue economic growth and diversification – as well as advocacy positions on issues affecting these pursuits. Sullivan County Economic Development Council is one of twelve regional development corporations serving the State.

The Council believes strongly that the existing companies provide the most opportunity for new employment opportunities. Therefore, through the Business Visitation Program (BVP), we continue to meet with several local businesses in

order to become acquainted with their concerns so we may be of assistance and thus preserve local jobs. We have formed an alliance with the Service Corps of Retired Executive (SCORE) to assist with the BVP. In some cases, they are providing on going assistance to specific companies.

The NH Office of Business and Industrial Development is the primary contact for companies who seek to expand or locate in New Hampshire. We organized three meetings with representatives from OBID as part of an effort to “sell the sellers” who are responsible for promoting New Hampshire. SCEDC is working with our communities so that we will be an attractive location for new investment. As a result, OBID has a better appreciation and understanding of our attributes – sites, buildings, labor force and the community itself!

Financing is a key component in fostering economic development. To this end, SCEDC has developed cooperative relationships with financing institutions such as local and statewide banks, the NH Business Finance Authority and related development corporations. SCEDC participated in a few loan/grant applications in 2000 and is working to do more in 2001. Please let us know of potential financing opportunities that can lead to job creation in Sullivan County.

SCEDC believes it is important to encourage communities who are seeking economic development to establish a local economic development corporation or committee. SCEDC has assisted the established groups in the following manner:

SCEDC continues to work with existing businesses throughout the county.

- Technical assistance is being provided to the Charlestown Economic Development Association for the mapping, subdivision and water/sewer extension to the newly developing Industrial Business Park on Route 12. Final subdivision cuts and fills, roadway and lot layouts have been completed in December.
- SCEDC continues to be a part of the Eagle Block Renovation Partnership for Newport. All financing pieces are about to come into place, with renovations to begin in the summer, 2001.
- Our office is assisting with the planning of the request for proposals for the Mill District in Claremont.
- We contributed to the submission of a 50/50 marketing grant for the City of Claremont to the Department of Resources and Economic Development.
- The organization has met with a representative from the Economic Development Administration for the purpose of discussing a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for Sullivan County. An organizational meeting will be scheduled for the spring, 2001.
- SCEDC continues to be involved with planning issues with the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission.

- The SCEDC office organized and held a Second Annual Sullivan County Economic Summit at the NH Community Technical College. The summit was well attended by approximately 120 business owners, municipal officials, State Representatives, utilities, banks, and state development officials.

A representative of the Council is available to meet with any community or development organization in Sullivan County in order to explore development opportunities. Please call us at 1-800-783-8213 or 543-1298.

Sincerely,

Francis D. Walsh, III
Executive Director

J. Cheston M. Newbold,
President

UPPER VALLEY LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

The Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission (UVLSRPC) is a voluntary association of 27 New Hampshire and 3 Vermont communities, and has been serving the region since 1963. The principal focus of the Commission's efforts is with the development of comprehensive plans for beneficial and balanced economic, environmental protection, and social growth throughout the Region. We function as a research, resource, and informational agency and, when appropriate, we work to obtain Federal, State, and other approvals, grants-in-aid, loans, and similar assistance for individual member Towns and for the Region. The Commission provides technical assistance to member communities in the areas of planning (land use, transportation, water quality, etc.), mapping, community development, grantsmanship, and grant administration. In addition, regional studies and projects are undertaken to the benefit of more than one community. Examples of these include the Regional Transportation Plan, the household hazardous waste collections, and ongoing water resource protection planning activities in the Mascoma River, Sugar River, Lake Sunapee, and Cold River watersheds. All NH communities were offered guidance with a program for lowering flood insurance premiums for property owners, and assistance compiling information on proposed conservation projects in preparation for application to the new Land and Community Heritage Investment Program.

In the past year, services such as our Planning Board training series and library, which features maps, planning resources and US Census data, were utilized by a large number of the Region's residents, local officials, board members, citizens groups, prospective businesses, and other non-profit organizations. As a foundation for the region's community and economic development activities, we began work this year on building a computerized database containing locations

and other key information on major employers, childcare providers, and assisted housing, as well as general demographic information for each community.

In 2000, a few examples of our work specifically for the Town of Sunapee included:

- ❖ Organized and conducted a regional household hazardous waste collection serving approximately 80 Sunapee households.
- ❖ Coordinated with NH Department of Resources and Economic Development regarding public input into Mount Sunapee 5 Year Master Plan and provided comments on the plan
- ❖ Assisted with preparation of recreation trail grant application for Sunapee Riverwalk project
- ❖ Provided guidance to Planning Board and drafted amendments to Subdivision Regulations
- ❖ Began work on an economic development plan for the Claremont job center to improve the area's business environment by leveraging existing assets and opportunities to address current problems and needs and foster economic growth that will be beneficial to the residents of the region.

As State agencies and legislatures have recognized the ongoing importance of regional planning, we have received support from New Hampshire and Vermont, both to conduct specific tasks and more importantly to be available as a resource for our member communities. We have also enjoyed a close working relationship with the Grafton County Economic Development Council, the Sullivan County Economic Development Council, and the Green Mountain Economic Development Corporation, and we anticipate a continued productive partnership.

Our Commission appreciates Sunapee's participation and support, and we look forward to serving the community in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
Benjamin D. Frost, Executive Director

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

This year the Planning Board is proposing a Zoning Amendment to regulate the placement of Personal Wireless Service Facilities (cellular telephone and communication facilities). Demand for PWSF services is mushrooming and requests to build facilities are popping up at communities all along the RT. 89 corridor.

Our residents are entitled to adequate access to these services. At the same time, it is important to preserve the rural nature of our town. With this Article, which

is Article 12, we are striving to be pro-active and create a balance between need and aesthetics. We want to ensure that any facilities built in Sunapee are compatible with the character of our town.

In addition to the Telecommunications Article, there are ten other Zoning Articles on the ballot.

- ❖ Article #2 increases the minimum number of parking spaces required for dwellings with greater than four bedrooms. High intensity use dwellings can be a nuisance to neighbors when adequate parking is not available.
- ❖ Article #3 deals with houses built on steep slopes. Presently, allowable building height on a slope is an averaged number; Article #2 will provide a better definition based on maximum windowsill or roof eave height.
- ❖ Article #4 requires that a retaining wall over 42 inches high must meet all of the building setback requirements. This will prevent a large structure from being built smack on the neighbor's property line.
- ❖ Article #5 allows a homeowner, on a non-conforming lot, to enclose the area under a second story enclosed living space that projects over open space.
- ❖ Articles #6, 7, and 8 attempt to minimize the visual impact of non-conforming homes built within the setback area. Presently, a 40 ft. high addition could potentially be built only 5 ft. from the road. The visual impact of such a structure would be significant. These Articles will limit height within the setback area.
- ❖ Article #9 will, under certain conditions, give those with non-conforming homes situated in the 50 ft. lake setback, some ability to expand, provided the expansion occurs away from the lake.
- ❖ Article #10 seeks to reduce the impact of building a lakefront home at the edge of the 50 ft lakefront setback. Under present law, it is allowable to remove all vegetation within 20 ft. of the building. Under the new Article, clearing within the 50 ft setback will be limited to 10 ft from the building.
- ❖ Article #11 simply increases, from 3 to 5, the number of alternatives to the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Most of this year's proposed Articles address situations that can visually impact neighbors and the community. The Planning Board believes that reasonable requirements will help keep Sunapee a pleasant place to live.

Respectfully Submitted,
Peggy Chalmers, Chairman

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT REPORT

The Zoning Ordinance for the Town of Sunapee was adopted in 1987, with several amendments made at Town Meetings over the years to accommodate the changing needs of our Town as it continues to grow, including the major addition of "Use" zoning, as adopted by the 2000 Town Meeting.

In 2000, 39 cases came before the Board, which was 15 more than in 1999, and the second highest yearly number ever to come before the Board, exceeded only by the 52 cases in the first full year of Zoning in Sunapee. (1988) – a reflection of the growth we can see all around us. (6 of the cases in 2000 involved requests for Special Exceptions under the Use Zoning part of the Ordinance, all 6 were approved.)

The Zoning Board of Adjustment's mission is to provide relief from land use laws when necessary and appropriate. The process begins when a citizen completes an application for a Certificate of Compliance, (129 in 2000 compared with 78 in 1999) for a building permit. If the proposed project does not meet the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance, the Zoning Administrator will advise the applicant that he or she must modify the project to comply, or appeal to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a Variance or Special Exception.

Governed by carefully crafted State and Local guidelines, the Zoning Board of Adjustment holds public hearings to determine whether to grant or deny requests for Special Exceptions or Variances. Special Exceptions are part of the Zoning Ordinance and set forth specific conditions under which relief from a particular restriction may be granted. Variances are appeals for relief from all other restrictions in the Ordinance not covered by Special Exception. There are five criteria that must be satisfied before the Board can grant a Variance.

The Board consists of five elected members, and up to three appointed alternates who serve when members are absent. Members and alternates spend significant time preparing for hearings, visiting sites, participating in meetings and attending Spring and Fall Law Lecture series in order to stay abreast of the latest changes and interpretations of land use laws. A proposed 2001 amendment would increase the number of alternates to five as permitted by State law.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment needs more members. Please volunteer your services. Remember, good government starts with citizen involvement. Please call Mr. Marquise or Mr. Wheeler at the Town Office for more information.

Respectfully submitted,
William J. Price, Zoning Board of Adjustment Chairman

2000 PLANNING/ZONING PERMITS

CERTIFICATES OF COMPLIANCE

Total Applications	129
Garages, Storage Buildings, Pools, Fences	50
Additions to Existing Homes	39
New Single-Family Homes	29
Replacement of Existing Homes	4
Signs	3
Commercial, Institutional	2
Multi-Family	1
Municipal Structures	1

PLANNING BOARD

	Total	Approved Requests	Pending	Withdrawn
Subdivisions	8	6	1	1
Site Plans	3	2	1	0
Mergers	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Cases	<u>18</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>

ZONING BOARD

	Total	Approved Requests	Denied	Withdrawn	Natural Expansion
Special Exceptions	30	23	6	1	N/A
Variances	<u>9</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>
Total Requests	<u>39</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>

OTHER PERMITS

Tree Cutting Requests (within 150' of a Great Pond):

Number of Requests/Number of Trees 26/54

Driveway Permits: 28

Erosion Control/Land Disturbance: 21

SUNAPEE INFORMATION BOOTH REPORT

The Sunapee Information Booth opened for the Summer Season on May 26th. We had a fairly busy summer, but not as good as 1999.

We had a total through Columbus Day of 2,811 cars, which was 1,187 less than 1999. We had a total of 6,638 people, which was 3,026 less than 1999.

We had fewer cars from the Middle West, the South, and Canada stopping in.

We felt that the cold, rainy weather and the rise in gas prices did not help our summer season. We hope for a better 2001.

Respectfully submitted,
Kay Benton & Terry Hamilton

REPORT OF THE SUNAPEE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Commission's chief undertaking during the year 2000 has been the timber harvest on the Town-owned tract adjacent to Ledge Pond.

I should stress that the prudent and professional management of the Town's forested parcels is one of the Conservation Commission's most important legally mandated responsibilities, and our deeds of ownership of these tracts all specify these duties clearly.

We first charged our licensed forester, John Morse of Kear-Wood, to survey the timber growth and identify the harvestable logs. The timber cut was carried out during the latter part of the summer, and on 12/5 the site was inspected by the Commission Chairman, Van Webb, Commission member Tim Fleury, and Mr. Morse. They reported that the job had been well done, and the Commission will now work with Tony Bergeron to develop the site for recreation access. A small parking area will be established, a gate will be installed, and some old cars and trucks, which had been dumped near the entrance, will be removed.

During the timber harvest, the ancient small bridge on Meadow Brook Road failed under the weight of the log trucks, and it was quickly replaced by Mr. Bergeron and his men.

The Commission continued its routine supervision of Wetlands Bureau applications for projects, which affect the Town's lakes, ponds, waterways, and wetlands. The application process has been much streamlined and simplified in recent years, and landowners are increasingly able to obtain their permits with a minimum of delay. The Commission's primary duty is to assist the applicants in the prompt approval of their projects. Thanks to the speedy cooperation of the Town Clerk, Betty Ramspott, we are usually able to inspect the site and sign the application on the same day that it is brought to the Town Office. The only

delays occur when the application forms are not filled out correctly, or in sufficient detail. Once again we urge applicants to follow the printed instructions to the letter, to locate projects precisely on their maps, and to provide photos and clear, accurate drawings.

Problems with the occasional scofflaw still occur, but I'm pleased to report that there are fewer such incidents with every passing year.

We gratefully recognize the fact that the Webb family has strengthened its Deed of Dedication on some 370 acres of land, which will now be protected in perpetuity by a conservation easement. Just one of the family's several purposes is to provide and preserve a sizable pristine recreational area for Sunapee's residents and their descendants.

The Commission continues to make efforts to establish a fund for the acquisition of additional lands for permanent preservation, and we would appreciate the townspeople's support of our modest Warrant Article on voting day.

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Burdett – for the Conservation Commission

HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

26	Sub-surface Septic Test Holes and Design Reviews	109	Hours
2	Sub-division Soil and Percolation Tests	19	"
4	Sub-surface Leaching System Tests	18	"
3	Water Quality Tests	9	"
12	Foster or Day Care Examinations	34	"
3	Restaurant Health & Food Inspection	7	"
6	Failing or Suspected Leaking Septic Examinations	36	"
5	Rental Housing Examinations and Complaints	<u>24</u>	"
	Total Hours	256	

Respectfully submitted,
John W. Wiggins, Heath Officer

WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT REPORT

As always I would like to thank the Water and Sewer Commission for their guidance and support in the past year. Also, a special thank you to the Town Manager, Police Department, and Highway Department for all their assistance.

I would like to welcome Henry Cunningham back to the Water and Sewer Department. Henry brings with him a background of the Sunapee system and knowledge of water and sewer issues that is a welcome addition to the department.

The Water Department's Slow Sand Filter and Georges Mills well station has been running as was expected with very few problems and was able to keep up with our forever changing weekend and seasonal flow demands. The Sunapee Slow Sand Filter processed about 64,439,129 gallons of potable water, and the Georges Mills well processed 13,133,413 gallons of potable water.

Along with our day-to-day routine of water sampling, testing upkeep and maintenance of the water system, the department replaced a fire hydrant and valve, 1 main valve, 9 service valves, 14 service valve boxes, repaired 6 water main breaks, 18 summer water line leaks, replaced 27 meter bottoms, installed one 2" sprinkler service, and had 20 after-hours call backs which is down for the second year in a row.

In the Sewer Department collection system we have completed 4 out of 8 pump station upgrades and hope to start the next 4 this year. We also repaired a sewer main break, installed 7 new sewer services, repaired 38 manholes, which is an on going project to help reduce rain and ground water from adding to plant flow, along with our day-to-day routine of upkeep and maintenance of the system. The final bond payment on Georges Mills II, Westwood, Fernwood and Wendell sewer projects was made January 15, 2001.

The Wastewater Treatment Plant is always a challenge to operate because of its age (28 years). In spite of its age, the operators have maintained a high level of treatment. The Wastewater Treatment Plant Capacity Evaluation, prepared by the Dufresne-Henry engineering firm, has been completed. The department and Commission will review and discuss the best options for Sunapee's future.

In 2000 the Wastewater Treatment Plant treated and returned over 183 million gallons of water to the river to be used again. In doing so we produced 118,574 dry pounds of bio-solids, which is land applied by Concord NH Wastewater Treatment Plant.

In closing, I would like to thank the Water and Sewer Department personnel for their commitment to the department and our environment. We are on call 24 hours a day 7 days a week. And as always I would like to invite all of Sunapee's citizens to tour your Water and Wastewater Plants. To arrange a tour, or to ask questions, please call (603) 763-2115.

Respectfully submitted

David R Brennan, Superintendent

Sunapee Water Quality Report - 2001

Test Results for 2000 (1/00 – 12/00)

Is my drinking water safe?

We are pleased to report that our drinking water is safe and meets federal and state requirements.

What is the source of my water?

The Sunapee water system source is surface water from Lake Sunapee. The water intake pipe is about 35 feet below the surface and is located in Sunapee Harbor. This water is treated and distributed from the Slow Sand Filter Plant located on Harbor Hill. The Georges Mills water system source is two bedrock wells located on Pleasant Street.

Why are there contaminants in my water?

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amount of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

How can I get involved?

Questions regarding your water systems can be directed to David R. Brennan, Water & Sewer Superintendent, at 603-763-2115, 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM Monday – Friday. The Water & Sewer Office is located in the Town Hall at 23 Edgemont Road. The Water & Sewer Commission meets the last Thursday of each month, unless otherwise posted. Meeting notices are posted in the Town Hall and in the Sunapee and Georges Mills Post Offices.

Other information

Water & Sewer Department Personnel: *David R. Brennan – Superintendent, Tim Mulder – WWTP Chief Operator, Henry Cunningham - Water & Sewer Foreman, Jeremiah Menard - Distribution Operator, Dave Bailey – Water Treatment Operator; Scott Campbell – Sewer Collection Operator; Eileen Dexter – Office Manager*

Water & Sewer Commissioners: *David Montambeault – Chairman, Aaron Simpson - Vice-Chairman, Ron Wyman, Ray Hudson, Stuart Caswell, Marcus Allen, Doug Mason*

Do I need to take special precautions?

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from the health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

Definitions: MCLG: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal, or the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety. • MCLs: The highest level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. They are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology • AL: Action Level, or the concentration of a contaminant which, when exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow. • TT: Treatment Technique, or a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Environmental Protection Agency requires testing of 77 different contaminants. The following test results represent the only contaminants that were of a detectable level in the Sunapee Water System.

2000 TEST RESULTS FOR
SUNAPEE, NH
SYSTEM #2271010

Abbreviations: PPT: Parts per trillion, PPB: parts per billion, ppm: parts per million or, n/a: not applicable, NTU: Nephelometric Turbidity Unit, MFL: million fibers per liter, nd: not detectable at testing limits.

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected/ Range of Detection	Unit Meas.	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Microbiological Contaminants						
Total Coliform Bacteria (% positive samples)	NO	0	ppm	0	Presence of coliform bacteria in \geq 5% of compliance samples	Naturally present in the environment
Turbidity	NO	.27	NTU	n/a	1 NTU	Soil runoff
Inorganic Contaminants (*)Represents 1998 Test Results						
Barium *	NO	10	ppm	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Copper	NO	1.32	ppm	1.3	1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Lead	NO	.149	ppb	0	.015	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate (as Nitrogen)	NO	.06	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Volatile Organic Contaminants						
TTHM (Total of Bromodich- loromethane Chloroform)	NO	13.1	ppb	0	100	By-product of drinking water chlorination

Health Effects Information: **Barium** – Some people who drink water containing barium in excess of the MCL over many years could experience an increase in their blood pressure. **Lead** - Infants and children who drink water containing lead in excess of the action level could experience delays in their physical or mental development. Children could show slight deficits in attention span and learning abilities. Adults who drink this water over many years could develop kidney problems or high blood pressure.

Environmental Protection Agency requires testing of 77 different contaminants. The following test results represent the only contaminants that were of a detectable level in the Georges Mills Water System.

2000 TEST RESULTS FOR GEORGES MILLS, NH SYSTEM #2271020

Abbreviations: PPT: Parts per trillion, PPB: parts per billion, ppm: parts per million or, n/a: not applicable, NTU: Nephelometric Turbidity Unit, MFL: million fibers per liter, nd: not detectable at testing limits.

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected/ Range of Detection	Unit Meas.	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Microbiological Contaminants						
Total Coliform Bacteria (% positive samples)	NO	0	ppm	0	Presence of coliform bacteria in $\geq 5\%$ of compliance samples	Naturally present in the environment
Inorganic Contaminants						
Barium	NO	.018	ppm	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride	NO	.99	ppm	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Lead	NO	.035	ppb	0	.015	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
Nitrate (as Nitrogen)	NO	.22	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits

Health Effects Information: Lead - Infants and children who drink water containing lead in excess of the action level could experience delays in their physical or mental development. Children could show slight deficits in attention span and learning abilities. Adults who drink this water over many years could develop kidney problems or high blood pressure.



Private Well Users!

Have you had your well tested recently?

Drinking water from private wells in New Hampshire sometimes contains contaminants at levels that can pose health risks. Only a water quality test, by a competent laboratory, can assure that your family is protected.

What types of contaminants might be present in your well?

The following contaminants, some naturally-occurring and others man-made, have been found in private well water in New Hampshire:

Arsenic

Bacteria

Fluoride

Nitrate

Radium

Radon

Sodium

Uranium

Volatile Organic Chemicals (VOCs)



Where can I learn more about this?

For further information, please visit the N.H. Department of Environmental Services' web site at www.des.state.nh.us/wseb, then select "fact sheets," then 2-1.

HYDROELECTRIC PLANT REPORT

I am pleased to write my first report for the Town's Hydroelectric Plant after assuming responsibilities on July 1st of this year. After a somewhat slow start, with repairs to the control system, mentioned in last year's annual report, not being completed until the middle of February, I am proud to report that the plant had a better than average year. A total of 2,399,360 kilowatt-hours were produced, providing gross revenue to the Town of \$215,942.20. In 1998, the plant generated 2,136,960 kWh and in 1999, production was 1,927,360 kWh. To date, the plant has generated over 36 million kWh. In addition, with the heavy rains that we received in the middle of December, we should have usable water until spring run off. At the time of this writing, we are averaging almost \$700 a day, which should continue well into February.

Our contract with Public Service Company of NH, at \$0.09 per kWh, continues until February 2005. Deregulation, as signed by Governor Shaheen, will not have any effect on the rate through the end of the contract. In the past years, analysts predicted that wholesale prices for electricity would drop with the implementation of deregulation. However, in light of what California is experiencing at the present time, I am not convinced that this will be the case. Hydroelectric power is a renewable source of energy, and more "GREEN" markets are opening all of the time. Our association with Granite State Hydro continues to maintain a voice and a presence in Concord and beyond.

I would like to thank Charles Sorento for being interim plan operator, and also Charles Boyce and Joe Adams for their continued commitment as assistant operator.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert A. Collins, Plant Operator

HYDRO FUND RECAPITULATION

Balance as of January 1, 2000	560,859.82
Income:	
PSNH	202,716.40
Interest	28357.42
Expenses:	
Operating and Debt	112,414.02
Special Article – Perkins Pond Project 1999	74,186.49
Highway Garage Capital Reserve Funds	80,000.00
Balance as of December 31, 1999	<u>\$ 525,333.13</u>

By using Hydro Surplus to avoid general fund borrowing, the Hydro Fund did not earn \$3,135.88 interest.

RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT

In my first full year as part-time Recreation Director I looked to consolidate our resources and set consistent policies and procedures. The Recreation Committee has worked hard at formulating philosophy and putting that into consistent policy. Furthermore, I continued the Committee's past emphasis on providing safe, quality programs and equipment for our participants. This year we worked on improving the professionalism of our Beach personnel and our Lifesaving Program. In light of the school budget failing to pass, I worked with Paul Gallup (SMHS Athletic Director) to add middle school soccer to our program offerings. We purchased new portable soccer goals that allowed the 5th and 6th graders to play the 8 v 8 game. We replaced our 5th and 6th grade girl's soccer uniforms and upgraded our basketball uniforms to include shorts and a T-shirt for grades 3 and above. We cleared the way to provide electrical power to the Dewey Baseball field, along with providing dugouts at the Route 11 Field. We want to thank Paul Ford, Prospect Hill Construction and Carroll Concrete for their generous donations for those projects, along with Mr. Gosslin's woodworking class at SMHS.

Additionally the Committee and I reviewed our needs for program and storage space. We had much interest from young people in developing a skateboard park in town. Jeff Stocker, a senior at SMHS, is completing his senior project in which he will design such a skateboard park with input from myself and interested young people. Our greatest obstacle in that project will be finding a flat 40' x 80' space in Sunapee to build it on. In the past two years I have developed an officiating crew for basketball and soccer through the respective varsity and junior varsity teams.

Looking ahead to 2001 we listened to residents requests and have budgeted more resources toward "regular" activities. Upcoming events include a [coach] bus trip to a Celtics game, Dartmouth Men's Hockey tickets, and a clinic on First Aid for Coaches. We are already working on several other new ideas for the coming year. We have also allotted additional financial support to the seniors. We will be planting new trees and shrubbery at Dewey Beach in conjunction with the recently completed erosion control project. Also on our "wish list" for 2001 is to have a warming hut for ice skaters. A long-range goal is to renovate (or rebuild) the Dewey beach house. With support (uniforms, equipment and field space) from the SMHS we will be providing middle school softball this spring. Additionally, we will be looking to do major work at the Route 11 Field to improve drainage and improve the turf. Lastly, my goal is to have our Recreation Web Site updated regularly with assistance from Mr. Hudkins' students at the SMHS. As always we will try to tap into Sunapee's strong spirit of volunteerism, which continues to be the backbone of our recreation programs.

Also, anyone interested in joining the Recreation Committee should contact me or Deb McGrath.

Summaries of our 2000 programs and activities are listed below:

2000 SPRING ACTIVITIES

Softball – Twenty-Two (22) girls participated in the Sunapee Girls Softball program for grades 5/6. This number included three 4th graders who played up when there was no grades 3/4 team. Many of those girls opted to only play spring soccer. This year we had two grades 5/6 teams. One team was coached by Steve Brock and the other team by Mark Wirta.

T-Ball - Sixteen children ages 5 – 7 participated in the Sunapee T-Ball instruction offered by Paul Skarin.

Little League - Eighty-four 7-12 year olds turned out for the Kearsarge Valley Little League Baseball program. There were two farm teams: The Sharks were coached by Paul Skarin and the Raiders were coached by Rob Simpson. The two minor league teams were the Mariners, coached by Steve Anglin, and the Athletics coached by George Curt. The Athletics finished third in their division while the Mariners came in first in theirs. This year we again had two Major League teams. The Orioles were coached by veteran Jeff Trow, who has been involved at various levels for many years. Jeff was assisted by Kelly Perron and Bob Hurd. Nick Memole coached the Astros for the 14th consecutive year with assistance from Steve Anglin, Ed Lamer, Rob Simpson and Jeff Brode. The Orioles and Astros finished 2-3 respectively in the League's regular season. They both had records of 9 wins and 6 losses. The following Sunapee players combined with Wilmot & Sutton players to form the KVLL Tournament (North) All-Star team: Michael Brown, Ben Hawkins, Jillian Hurd, Kaspi Kaegi, Andrew Lamer, Shawn Larpenter, Joe Muller, Brady Perron and Chris Yarrington.

Babe Ruth Baseball – Thirteen young people (including one from Grantham) played on the 13 – 14 year old Prep Babe Ruth team, coached by Nick Memole with assistance from Jeff Trow and Phil Masterson. The team struggled with a 2 – 10 regular season record as they learned new skills. However, they pulled everything together as they finished first in the playoffs. Gavin Eriksson, Matt Buchan, Matt Whitehead, Evan Hudson, and Bryan DiPaola represented the Sunapee team in the Connecticut Valley League's Prep Level All-Star Game. Sam Webb was also selected but couldn't attend.

The Jr. Babe Ruth (14 – 15) year old team was coached by Bob Saindon with assistance from Jeff Brode and Brenda Huff. The team had a 7 – 6 regular season

record. Sunapee was represented by Ben Trow, T.J. DiPaola, and Kyle Hudson in the CVL Jr. Babe Ruth All-Star Game.

The Recreation Committee would like to thank the many volunteer coaches, assistants, drivers, as well as the players and their supportive parents for continuing Sunapee's outstanding youth baseball tradition. A special thank you to Sunapee's volunteer baseball and softball umpires: Dan Hudkins, Jeff Trow, Brian Snider, Nick Memole, Ed Emery, Jim Walsh, George Grant, Kevin Cooney.

Co-Ed Soccer – This year Sunapee had two teams participate in the Merrimack Valley Co-Ed Spring Soccer League, which only played on Sundays. Van Webb and Sue Parmenter coached the Grades 7/8 team, while Alan Abendroth and Sophie Sparrow coached the Grades 3/4 team.

2000 SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Beach – The 2000 Dewey Beach season saw some changes. We hired Herb Hatch, a Beach Manager with Water Safety Programming qualifications. Through Herb, the Recreation Department implemented a plan to professionalize the Lifeguard Staff. Herb taught a lifeguard course for current and previous General Beach staff as a feeder system to fill out and support the returning Lifeguard staff. Donnalee Thomas did an exceptional job of running the concession this summer and practically ran the entire beach operation when Herb left his position in early August. Tom Moore and Rene Murgatroy taught this summer's swim lessons. It was their first year instructing, but they were well known and liked as lifeguards the previous year. Although there were many days of cool weather, 146 children attended swim lessons. Another change beach attendees noted was the uniform Lifeguard Swimsuits and T-Shirts Lifeguards and Beach Personnel were wearing. Beach personnel received many compliments for their professional appearance and demeanor this year. Additionally, we implemented a 4-foot "Deep Water Swim Line" and required [mostly] children to be able to pass a minimal swim test to be allowed to swim beyond that line. We received mixed, but mostly positive responses to this change. We tried to balance the highest standard of safety for our patrons with parents' desire to use their beach for all of their purposes. We did note and will make adjustments next summer for the wind and currents that caused the line to drift in, at times making the water level too low for parents to teach their children.

We again had a successful summer of Kayak use by residents. Although we had a three year lease agreement for the Kayaks, the projected high degree of use made it more cost effective to purchase them at the end of this summer. Donnalee and Ashley Marcotte taught the crafts program this summer. We want

to thank the great staff for their work and look forward to many returning next summer. A special thank you to Bob Saindon for donating his time to teach a CPR course for some of our lifeguards and staff.

Tennis – For the second year many townspeople enjoyed summer use of the Dexter's Inn tennis courts. Many thanks to owners Mike and Holly Durfor, and to Ann Webb who coordinated round robin tournaments for residents.

Play Soccer Summer Camp - This was a weeklong camp designed for participants' enjoyment and to enhance skills at virtually all ages and skill levels. We had 60 participants this year, a 33% increase over our first year. By locking in the next two summers for a week of this camp, we receive extra training hours for our volunteer parent coaches. Many thanks go out to the following host families for opening their homes and families to the Play Soccer coaching staff: Ann and Paul Webb, Dave and Deb Gibbens, Kelly and Tom Perron, and Sharon and Tom Callahan.

High School Soccer - This new program was coached by Jack Iacopino and was open to any student entering [at least] 9th grade.

2000 FALL ACTIVITIES

Soccer – Sunapee again participated again in the Merrimack Valley Soccer League. This year's fall program was again the largest in Sunapee's history, with 116 participants. This year we also added two middle school teams to the league. Thanks to all of the coaches: Van Webb, Jeff Trow, Steve McGrath, Alan Abendroth, Jim Parsons, Sophie Sparrow, Kathy Muller, and Mike Emmund. Thanks also to all of the volunteer parents for their effort and support. Thank you to Van Webb who also ran a soccer officials clinic.

At the conclusion of the regular season Sunapee Recreation hosted two round robin tournaments (a Boys 5/6 and a Boys 7/8). Both tournaments were extremely enjoyable and evenly matched. A special "thanks" go out to all of our soccer referees: Bobby Saindon, Mike Saindon, Kyle Hudson, Jon Hamel, Tyler Webb, Sam Webb, Van Webb, Corey McGrath, Bryan DiPaola, and T.J. DiPaola. They received many compliments for their outstanding effort. Thank you also to Paul Gallup and the SMHS for assisting with uniforms and coordination of the SMHS soccer fields. Further appreciation goes to Laura Trow and Marian Deegan for their efforts at running the concession stand at the first tournament. The SPTO ran the concession the following Saturday. Thank you to the Sunapee Lions Club for letting both organizations use their concession wagon.

2000-2001 WINTER ACTIVITIES

Elementary Basketball – There were fifty-six participants in this winter's Quad Valley Recreational Basketball program. The 3rd - 4th grade Boys team was coached by Bobby Saindon with assistance from George Curt, while the Girls team at that level was again coached by Debbie Shapiro. The 5th – 6th grade Girls team was coached by Christine Williams and Steve Brock. The two 5th – 6th grade Boys teams were coached by Steve Whitehead and Doug Webb. The Recreation Committee thanks the coaches and the many other volunteers who assisted as scorekeepers and gym supervisors. A special thank you to Steve Whitehead for his time coaching, training referees and officiating. This was the second year several high school players (who once played in the Elementary Program) teamed with the Elementary Program as referees. Thank you Bobby Saindon, Kyle and Evan Hudson, and Jon Hamel.

Pee Wee Basketball – Rob Simpson took on the responsibility for this program again this year. It is a six-session skill-building and fun play experience for kindergarten through second grade boys and girls. This year we have about 20 participants. Many thanks to all the parents who assisted Rob at the gym on Saturday mornings.

Youth Drop-In Basketball – Once again we have youth drop-in basketball for grades 3 –12 on Saturday nights at Sherburne Gym. The program runs from December through February with each age group having specific times to play. Program participants are allowed to simply shoot baskets or take part in more organized pickup games and contests. Many thanks to the participants and the adult supervisors for making this program successful.

Ice Skating – The Ice Skating will again be at the Ben Mere Park area. Many thanks to Jim Buchan for setting up the rink with assistance from Tony Bergeron and his crew.

2000 ADULT PROGRAMS

Volleyball – Adult Drop-In Volleyball continues at High School Gym on Tuesday and Friday evenings. All Sunapee residents are welcome. Thanks to Billie Barry and Kelly Perron for their efforts to coordinate the program.

Basketball – Adult Drop-In Basketball for those over 30 is running through the winter on Sunday mornings from 8 - 10 at the High School. Thanks to Rob Simpson for coordinating this program.

Drop-In Hockey – Has been very well attended. This runs throughout the Fall, Winter and Spring on Sunday mornings from 8:30 – 10:30 at the Sherburne Gym. Any player or “non-player” of any age is welcome to attend.

2000 SPECIAL EVENTS

Christmas Tree Lighting – Our annual special events begin pre-Christmas with the tree lighting at the harbor with caroling by the Time Travelers and then again at the Methodist Church with a visit from Santa. This year's event was attended by approximately 40 people. Thanks to the Sunapee Fire Department, the Methodist Ladies, Ellie Goddard and the Time Travelers for their support.

Winterfest - This event normally scheduled for mid-February fell victim to erratic weather again this year.

Easter Egg Hunt – This was new this year and extremely well attended. Approximately 80 children hunted for small treasures in 450 Easter eggs at the Ben Mere Park area.

Fall brought our traditional support of the annual Halloween SPTO Party for children of all ages at the Sherburne Gym.

Respectfully submitted,

Nick Memole, Recreation Director

Recreation Committee – Deb McGrath, Chairman, Candy Saindon,

Christine Williams, Chuck Weinstein, Paula Flanders

SUNAPEE GARDENERS REPORT

“The love of Gardening is a seed that once sown never dies” – Gertrude Jekyll

Thirty-four Sunapee gardeners have once again completed a successful year creating a welcoming atmosphere for its residents and visitors by designing and caring for our Town's 13 flower gardens.

Our accomplishments for the year 2000 were many. This year the gardeners divided into groups not only to plant, water, and weed their chosen gardens, but to design and order needed plants. It was very rewarding to see our group plans turn into beautiful gardens! In the fall, reports were written for future gardens.

We had three educational speakers:

- ❖ Lorie Lauridsen – Spring Ledge Farm – Container gardens, fertilizers, and watering
- ❖ Jeff Good – Landscape Manager for the Fells – Planting and dividing plants, caring for the historic hydrangea walk
- ❖ Sue Clough – Spring Ledge Farm – Plant color and design for perennial and annual gardens

A new shade garden was planted on the Route 11 side of the Georges Mills Fire Station.

Our annual Memorial Recognition Ceremony was held during the band concert on the first Wednesday of August. Giant sparklers were lit and placed in the memorial garden by the gardeners as the names of the friends and loved ones were read from the Memorial Garden Book. Seven names were added to the book in 2000. To conclude this occasion the gardeners served refreshments to all attending this special event.

Fall gardening consists of continued watering, weeding, and keeping the gardens neat until it is time to “put them to bed” and plant spring bulbs. This year we planted 400 tulip bulbs in the Memorial Garden, 100 bulbs in the Lilly Garden, and 40 bulbs in the new Georges Mills Garden.

Congratulations to Nancy Clark for chairing the greening of the harbor and coordinating our efforts with the Sunapee Harbor Riverway to create a festive atmosphere during our long winter season.

We also wish to thank Sandy Rowse, Dyke Shaw, and their friends for their enthusiastic support. Being a Sunapee Gardener is to be a member of a very special group of caring people who give of their time and energy to the beautification of their community. We not only have fun, we have formed great friendships and extend a warm welcome to anyone that would like to join the group who dig dirt!

Respectfully submitted,
Ellie Goddard, Sunapee Gardener

TOWN BUILDINGS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Sunapee Town Building Committee, formed at the request of the Board of Selectmen, has been meeting since May of 1999 to assess the building needs of the nine non-school related town departments. Through the use of a needs survey, meetings with department heads and open committee meetings, we have identified and prioritized several key “needs” for our town’s continued successful growth. They are:

1. Relocate the Town Highway Garage.
 - a. To provide desperately needed land space and building facilities to handle and maintain their growing equipment inventory and storage needs.
 - b. To free up the current garage site to house a proposed police / fire / emergency services building that will simultaneously solve several department’s needs and help transform this key property into a more attractive and inviting focal point for our town.
2. Create a police / fire / emergency services facility on the site of the current highway garage.

- a. This site offers many key benefits to our town as the centralized location for all of these critical service departments.
3. Sell the existing police building.

The year 2000 has been focused solely on our #1 priority of relocating the highway garage. After an exhaustive search for suitable land, the Building Committee has identified two parcels that we believe satisfy all of the needs of the town and the Highway Department.

- Parcel #1, know as “The Church/Gallup property” is an approximately 6-acre tract with 800 feet of road frontage that runs along the west side of route 11. Access would be approximately 750 feet north of Sargent Road, from Route 11. The property offers good usable space and a nice natural screen of Hemlock trees. The Building Committee, the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee all recommend this site.
- Parcel #2 is a 5-acre tract, which is a portion of the former Hansen property, located at 54 Avery Road. This site begins just south of the transfer station and has 800 feet of road frontage on the east side of Avery Road. While offering usable space, this site does not offer easy access or appropriate natural screening.

In August, we interviewed three construction management firms and chose Trumbull-Nelson as our design and build consultant. The Building Committee, the Highway Department and Trumbull-Nelson have worked closely to design a 12,000 s.f. building that we all feel provides excellent value for our town.

Our recommendations have resulted in four articles being placed on the 2001 Town Warrant. It is the hope of the Board of Selectmen and the Town Building Committee that our community will continue to support the efforts to relocate the Highway Garage, as this is the first step toward providing several important building improvements.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve McGrath, Chairman, Rob Armstrong, Katrina Hill, Barbara Hollander,
Denise Preston

HIGHWAY REPORT

The winter of 1999-2000 was quite unusual, which for Sunapee is the usual. After a mild November (unusual) and December (only one plowable storm – quite unusual), January started with an ice storm (becoming the usual) and then cold weather (usual). We received our first significant storm on the 16th (unusual). Because of the lack of snow cover and the cold weather, we had a large number of frozen culverts and ditches (not totally unusual but not the norm). Even though we had two sizable storms near the end of the month, it was

too little, too late and we were plagued with ice problems for the rest of the winter (it has happened before).

February had a half dozen minor storms (the usual) but only one major snowstorm (unusual). The last third of the month was very warm and we had water problems everywhere, from rain and melting snow. The warm trend continued into the first third of March, even approaching 70 degrees on the 9th (very unusual). We then had a foot of snow on the 11th and 12th and again on the 17th (the usual). It started to warm-up again the last week of the month and we had a major rain on the 28th, which coupled with snowmelt produced more flooding (the usual).

April arrived and so did Spring. We started sweeping roads and light grading of the gravel roads (the usual). On the 8th and 9th we received almost tropical wind and rain – more flooding (becoming the usual). The weather became more seasonal and we continued sweeping and grading. I took the last week of the month for a vacation (the usual) and it snowed 3” (my crew says this is the usual, too).

In May we really started grading gravel roads and treating them this year with magnesium chloride instead of calcium chloride. This new product is more environmentally friendly and produced equally good moisture holding ability. We also started a sidewalk reconstruction project on Main Street, between High Street and the Thrift Shop. This project included the construction of a concrete retaining wall and required making this section Main Street temporarily only one lane of traffic wide. The last section of the wall was poured on the 19th. The wall then backfilled and the road was opened to two-way traffic on the 26th.

In June we installed new granite curb, heavy timber rail, and paved the sidewalk. We also curbed and paved a new sidewalk in front of the Information Booth (a first step in improvements of this area). This month we cleaned all the catch basins (about a month late because of the sidewalk project). Also, as time and manpower permitted, we replaced a number of culverts. The sidewalk project was completed on the 19th. Lawton Road, a small road between Route 103 and Bradford Road, was reclaimed in preparation for paving. Some miscellaneous paving was done on culvert trenches and some other small areas.

During July we did our annual roadside mowing. We also did our annual road resurfacing paving. The program this year was performed on Messer Road, Nutting Road, Bradford Road, and Lawton Road. We also started our annual grader hot mix shimming project. The first roads we shimmed were in the Georges Mills area, the site of next year's overlays. On the 30th and 31st we received a six inch rainstorm (most unusual), luckily we had only minor washout from this storm.

In August we continued grader shimming, mostly on Jobs Creek Road and the Granliden area. We also did centerline road striping. During the latter part of the month, we had to start regarding the gravel roads. We also replaced more culverts and cleaned most of the runoffs.

During September we completed our grader shimming, mostly on the south part of Stagecoach Road. We replaced more culverts and cleaned more ditches and runoffs. In October we stockpiled our supply of winter sand (usual). In cooperation with the Lake Sunapee Protection Association, we started a stormwater runoff mitigation project at Dewey Beach. This project was mostly funded by a grant received by the Association. The purpose of the project is to reduce the erosion of the beach and thereby reduce the pollution of the Lake. The project is almost complete and will be finished in the Spring. On October 29th, we had to plow 3" of snow (most unusual).

During November we placed gravel shoulders on the edge of the pavement overlays. We did more road grading as the weather permitted. We replaced a small bridge on Meadowbrook Road (in Georges Mills). In December we did some grader ditching, but several snowstorms interrupted this procedure (the usual). On the 16th and 17th we received an ice storm, followed by torrential rains, temperatures in the mid-50's for a few hours, and more flooding (by now the usual). We had a nice little 5" snow on the 20th, which gave us a white Christmas, and a 10" snow on the 30th and 31st – which is the way the usual should be!

Respectfully submitted,
J. Anthony Bergeron, Road Agent

TRANSFER STATION REPORT

The total volume of trash received at our facility increased by a mere 0.4% from 2334.34 tons to 2343.19 tons. The non-recyclable combustible trash sent to the Claremont incinerator increased by 1.9%, from 1426.27 tons to 1453.43 tons. The non-combustible non-recyclable trash sent to the Bethlehem landfill decreased by 2%, from 908.07 tons to 889.76 tons. The best news was that recyclables increased by 4.3%, from 671.07 tons to 700 tons.

At the beginning of June we received a new trailer for the truck. This allowed us to haul two loads of trash at the same time. The savings this year in labor and fuel was \$3,658. The trailer should pay for itself in about 3 years.

The tipping fee (disposal rate) at the Claremont incinerator has jumped from \$67/ton to \$85/ton, a dramatic increase, most of which started in October of this year. The tipping fee at the Bethlehem landfill increased by the CPI from 60/ton to 63/ton. Most of the budget increase next year is due to Claremont incinerator.

Income from recyclables was about \$20,000. Recyclables also saved about \$60,000 in avoided tipping fees.

Should you have any questions regarding our facility or our operations, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Anthony Bergeron, Road Agent

SUNAPEE FACILITY DECALS

A decal is necessary to gain access to Dewey Beach, Georges Mills Beach and the Transfer Recycling Station. The decals expire each October 1st, and are available at the Town Hall Selectmen's Office. All Sunapee Taxpayers are entitled to one decal for each vehicle, when the registration is presented. All Sunapee residents are entitled to a decal when a rent receipt or lease agreement, along with the vehicle registration is presented. The decals should be placed on the driver's side front bumper. The registration number on the decal must match the vehicle's plates. Temporary decals are available for short term renters and out of town contractors. Springfield residents, who also use the transfer station, have decals, which are issued from the Springfield Town Office.

Beginning October 1, 1995, the Board of Selectmen instituted a fee for any materials placed in the open-top container. The tickets necessary for placing materials in this container are available at the Selectmen's Office. Brochures explaining the fee schedule and the materials covered are also available at the Selectmen's Office.

TRANSFER/RECYCLING STATION HOURS

Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday

8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Sunday

8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Closed Tuesday and Wednesday

The Town of Sunapee adopted an Ordinance at the Annual Meeting March 12, 1985 (amended March 1989 and 1990) covering our Transfer/Recycling Facility. Copies are available at the Town Office.

STATE REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

District I – Coos, Grafton, Carrol, Belknap, and Sullivan Counties

It is once again a privilege to report to the people of this large Northern Council District consisting of 98 towns and four cities spread throughout Coos, Grafton, Carroll, Belknap, and Sullivan Counties.

The constitutional and statutory responsibilities of the Executive Council are within the Executive Branch of your New Hampshire State government. Our role is much like a board of directors of a large company. We are charged with carrying out the laws and budget passed by the New Hampshire House and Senate. The Governor and Council employ 294 Commissioners and Directors to administer over 100 departments and agencies to carry out the details of the laws and budget of your State government. The Council has an overall supervisory role in assisting citizens, business, agencies, towns, cities, and counties in effectively working with State government.

Preparing for the coming two-year term that I have been elected to as one of your public servants, I share with you the following ideas and requests:

- If anyone is interested in making a volunteer contribution of their time and talent on a Board or Commission through the appointment process of the Governor and Council, please contact my office or Kathy Goode, Council Liaison, Governor's Office, State House, Concord, NH 03301, Tel. 271-2121, and ask for the appointment list for 2001. As your Councilor, I am always looking for people to serve on a multitude of Boards and Commissions in your State government.
- The Governor's Advisory Commission on Intermodal Transportation (five Executive Councilors and the Commissioner of Transportation) will be holding hearings around the State on citizen and regional planning commission recommendations for improving our highway system throughout New Hampshire. If you have suggestions on a needed improvement, please send them to your regional planning commission or to my office soon so they may be given consideration.
- The Regional Health Planning District Councils continue to meet and consider major changes in the health maintenance system for citizens both at the local and state levels. Anyone wishing to serve on your region's District Health Council should contact my office or Lori Real, Director of Planning Research at NH Health and Human Services Department, Tel. 271-4235..
- As one of your elected officials, I would urge your town and region to be in constant contact with our New Hampshire Congressional Delegation to let them know of your ideas, concerns and desires. I am interested in promoting projects to send to Senators Smith and Gregg and Congressmen Sununu and Bass. They are effective in their committee assignments and should always

have a list from back home in New Hampshire to advance in our nation's Capital.

- I recommend use of the NH Webster System. It is the official state locator for your New Hampshire State Government at <http://www.state.nh.us> . A complete directory of phone numbers and addresses of all state agencies is listed for your convenience. Utilize your local Town/City Library to access the Webster System, which is administered and maintained by the New Hampshire State Library.
- My office has available a handy 800 toll-free phone card of organizations for rural areas.
- Always know my office is at your service. Contact me anytime at (603) 271-3632 or write to Room 207 – State House, Concord, NH 03301.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray Burton, Ray.burton@gte.net

STATE REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Sullivan County District II - Grantham-Springfield-Sunapee

It again has been a pleasure to serve our district in the 2000 session. Thank you again for your kind support allowing me to represent the district for my third term in the upcoming session starting on January 3, 2001.

Several issues were in the forefront in the past year. The most controversial were education funding and the Supreme Court impeachment inquiry, which consumed considerable time. Most of us are assigned to busy and active committees which take up approximately two-thirds of our time conducting hearings, setting up subcommittees on challenging issues, and acting on each bill by either recommending passage, passage with an amendment, inexpedient to legislate, or a year interim study by a subcommittee within the committee, itself. I am pleased to report that I have been reassigned to the Municipal and County Government Committee.

Approximately one-third of most representative's time is devoted to a session day where bills processed by the twenty-two standing committees are sent to the floor for action.

Some of us are also assigned to statutory committees made up of representatives appointed both by the Senate president and the Speaker of the House. In 1999, I was assigned to the controversial VT-NH Solid Waste Study, which we reported out on November 1, 2000. Currently, I am assigned to a committee, which is studying ways to address the issue of adopting, and securing a statewide records management program. We are due to report out our recommendations by November 1, 2001.

The major issues coming up in 2001 appear to be education funding, judicial reform, and health care. In the case of healthcare, the number of major companies doing business in New Hampshire has dwindled to two. This is rapidly becoming a sensitive issue and can hopefully be addressed.

Grantham and Sunapee continue to be donor towns relative to the statewide property tax with Springfield not that far removed. As the funding obligation increases, more communities will become donors.

Since there does not appear to be a consensus statewide for any given tax to address the funding issue, it will be difficult to consummate an equitable tax program to address the state's needs. This is particularly so since the Supreme Court recently struck down the Senator Fred King Bill to reduce the funding obligation down from the present \$879 million. Although, several experts advocate that the \$879 million obligation can be substantiated, it is an extremely difficult task given the present statewide tax structure.

Unfortunately, many other state departments are suffering because of the magnitude of the education obligation with a piece-meal funding apparatus. However, by law the check has to be put in the mail to those recipient communities who meet the criteria. Several of these communities, mainly in the Southern tier, do not support either a sales or an income tax, so based upon the votes they muster, it could very well mean that the Statewide property tax will stay, but at a higher rate.

Another responsibility we as a representative have is to vote on the county budget. Unfortunately, the budget increased in excess of \$3.2 million from the previous biennium. It is particularly an issue for Sullivan District #2 (Grantham-Springfield -Sunapee) because we fund approximately 35-36% of the total county budget with approximately 12.5% of the population. In fact, in all three towns, the county tax rate exceeds the town portion on the tax bill. Communities in each county are assessed on valuation only and not anything else such as population or the amount of services received. Unless it is adjusted to reflect usage and the like, these three communities will continue to pay a higher proportion of county taxes during the upcoming years.

However, it should also be noted and applauded that Sullivan County has recently initiated a study committee to ascertain why costs have escalated and what can be done to reduce them. We also understand there will be more than the usual county bills coming up in this session. One of which is a request to study the purpose, function and operations of a county system including whether they are funded equitably by the communities within them.

Most of us devote a significant amount of time to constituent services. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need assistance in dealing with any state or

county agency. My home phone number is 763-9933; fax number is 763-5062; and my state committee room number is 271-3317.

Thank you for your confidence and support. Coupled with the sincere efforts of Rep. Jones, Sullivan District #3 who also represents us, hopefully we can serve the district well.

Respectfully submitted,
Rep. Richard C. Leone, rcle@sugar-river.net

STATE REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Sullivan County District III

At this time, I would like to thank you for your support and the opportunity to serve as your Representative in the 2001-2002 Session of the General Court.

Among the top issues facing us this term are education funding, judicial reform and health care. I would hope that we will make considerable progress in finding an equitable funding source for what is deemed to be the cost of an adequate education for New Hampshire children.

I enjoyed my term on the Children and Family Law Committee where we dealt with matters pertaining to children and youth, their rights, obligations, and protection, as well as divorce and child support.

This session, I have been assigned to the Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee. This committee hears bills pertaining to sentencing, bail, probation, and parole; DWI and drug enforcement; the Department of Corrections and its facilities; domestic violence and victim assistance; police and fire training; firearms and fireworks. I will also be serving on the House Rules Committee, which deals with House procedural rules, deadlines and recommended rules of debate. I look forward to the challenges presented by these committees.

State Representatives must also take an active part in County government. We become members of the County Delegation and our primary responsibility is to appropriate the funds necessary to support the various functions of county government. We are the "watch dog" that insures the proper spending of taxpayer dollars which is collected, for the most part, from property taxes.

I welcome your input on any issue, which is of interest, or concern to you. Please feel free to call or write me.

Respectfully submitted,
Representative, Constance A. Jones
PO Box 975
Grantham, NH 03753
(603) 863-8395

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SUNAPEE
January 1 through December 31, 2000

DATE	GROOM/BRIDE	RESIDENCE
Jan. 1	Robby Lee Jolley	Georges Mills
	Bonnie Lee Tourigny	Georges Mills
Jan. 1	Jeffrey S. North	Sunapee
	Heidi G. Manning	Newport
Jan. 20	Robert J. Scharff	Sunapee
	Shelley A. Johnson	Claremont
Feb. 17	George O. Binzel	Sunapee
	Maureen A. O'Brien	Sunapee
Feb. 20	Clifford B. Clegg, Jr.	Sunapee
	Tammy L. Jackson	Sunapee
April 15	Michael Joseph Sisto	Turner Falls, MA
	Wendy Elizabeth Robinson Chaves	Sunapee
April 15	Donald B. Allen	Salem
	Christine D. Dodge	Sunapee
April 29	John Harold Galloway	Sunapee
	Nicole Marie Lewis	Sunapee
May 20	Barrett Huntington Lewis	Sunapee
	Lisa Marie Carafa	Sunapee
May 20	Christopher Joseph Kelley	Ludlow, VT
	Lisa Leigh Lockerby	Ludlow, VT
May 21	Farai R. Mabvudza	Manchester
	Jolene G. Paquin	Newport
June 3	Richard Leslie Woodbury	Sunapee
	Karol Anne Bentley	Newport
June 10	Michael G. Barros	Bristol, RI
	Karen Lee Aparicio	Bristol, RI
June 16	James R. Bates	Georges Mills
	Michele L. Bowen	Georges Mills
June 16	Horace Thomas Holcomb	Boulder, CO
	Tracie Lynn Lundberg	Boulder, CO
July 2	Jay Alan Hanson	Minneapolis, MN
	Maureen Rae Andrew	Minneapolis, MN
July 4	Reginald H. Achilles, Sr.	Sunapee
	Linda D. Evans-Earl	Sunapee

DATE	GROOM/BRIDE	RESIDENCE
July 8	Robert Christian Tshudin	Manchester
	Jennifer Marie Colby	Manchester
July 15	Matthew Nils Johnston	Chicago, IL
	Dawn Virginia Odell	Chicago, IL
July 29	Scott Andrew McIndoo	Lawtons, NY
	Laura Christine White	Northampton, MA
July 29	Vernon R. McIntire	Springfield
	Marilyn R. Ripley	Sunapee
Aug. 5	Bradley A. Sarchet	Sunapee
	Ann Catherine Neumann	Sunapee
Aug. 12	Matthew Scott Montgomery	Hancock, ME
	Jessica Wright	Hancock, ME
Aug. 19	Mark Merwin Weld	Boston, MA
	Caroline Cavanaugh Higgins	Boston, MA
Sept. 9	Jason B. Dashner	Georges Mills
	Gina L. Radford	Keene
Sept. 10	Ryan Fernand Joseph Martin	Georges Mills
	Nicholette Angelina Donatelli	Georges Mills
Sept. 17	Darren Thomas Sondrini	White River Jct., VT
	Mary Rose Scharff	White River Jct., VT
Sept. 17	David Paul Finn	Sunapee
	Dayle Ann Wells	Sunapee
Sept. 23	Gary David Markoff	Boston, MA
	Cicely Beston Butler	Sunapee
Sept. 23	Peter Mario Fiore	Matamoras, PA
	Barbara Lynne Meyer	Matamoras, PA
Sept. 30	Louis Mario Capozzoli	Sunapee
	Nancy Elizabeth Peck	Sunapee
Sept. 30	Douglas George Ohi	Silverthorne, CO
	Christine Susan Fortier	Silverthorne, CO
Oct. 14	Nathan David Way	Newport
	Allaina Jayne Manson	Newport
Oct. 14	Ronald Raymond Parenteau Sr.	Georges Mills
	Jennifer Lee Szymkiewicz	Georges Mills

I hereby certify the above to be correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty H. Ramspott, Town Clerk & Tax Collector

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SUNAPEE
January 1 through December 31, 2000

DATE	CHILD	FATHER	MOTHER	PLACE
Jan. 21	Cory Adam Henault	Randy Henault	Laura Henault	New London
Jan. 21	Chloe Cassandra Coleman	Dennis Coleman	Lacinda Fleury Coleman	Claremont
Feb. 2	Gavin Marcus Hufault	Donald Hufault	Shauna Hufault	New London
Mar. 6	Kevin Michael Altman	Gregg Altman	Brigid Altman	New London
May 18	Carter Ian McFarland	Sean McFarland	Kimberley McFarland	Lebanon
May 24	Jessica Nicole Richardson	Todd Richardson	Katherine Richardson	New London
May 27	Erin Elizabeth Joly	Stephen Joly	Laura Joly	New London
Jul. 14	Hayden Jospeh Lester	Charles Lester	Karen Lester	Lebanon
Jul. 23	Tyler Todd Couitt	Todd Couitt	Rene Couitt	Lebanon
Sept. 16	Emily Robin Depaula	Stephen Depaula	Robin Depaula	Manchester
Oct. 8	Nicole Jocelyn Malanga	Thomas Malanga	Monique Malanga	New London
Oct. 23	Benjamin James Scharff	Robert Scharff	Shelley Scharff	New London
Oct. 23	Lane William Smith	Arthur Smith	Lynn Smith	Concord
Nov. 30	Julia Marie O'Mara	Douglas O'Mara	Lori O'Mara	Lebanon
Dec. 15	Matthew Joseph Pulaski	Louis Pulaski	Kathryn Pulaski	Lebanon

I hereby certify the above to be correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty H. Ramspott, Town Clerk & Tax Collector

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SUNAPEE **January 1 through December 31, 2000**

DATE	NAME	PLACE	MOTHER	FATHER
Jan. 9	Robert Hansen	New London	Ada Herbert	Robert Hansen
Jan. 16	Arthur Quimby	Lebanon	Mabel Austin	Charles Quimby
Jan. 19	Mary C. Gurney	New London	Rhonda Rzeczyzkycki	Mark Gurney
Jan. 25	Cynthia A. Hansen	New London	Bertha White	Bertrand Blackington
Jan. 27	Dexter O. Collins	New London	Florence Putney	Fred Collins
Jan. 28	Jean W. Putonen	Franklin	Emily Wilson	Robert Bowker
Mar. 18	William A. Morse	New London	Elizabeth Burrows	William Morse
Apr. 6	Gloria A. Matthews	Hanover	Ethel Senior	Nelson Lord
May 1	William C. Allen	New London	Arlene Hook	James Allen
May 21	Priscilla Della Avery	Sunapee	Delphine Deno	Mitias Bressette
May 26	Louis Verdun Achilles	Sunapee	Letitia Reilly	Henry H. Achilles
June 13	Mary Parizo	Westfield, MA	Nellie Handley	Sandy Muir
Aug. 9	Diane Christene Glidden Kangas	Sunapee	Elenor Ford	Stanley Glidden
Aug. 20	William J. Rozokat	Sunapee	Augusta Russoff	Samuel Rozokat
Oct. 25	Burritt F. Smith	Sunapee	Alice Judd	Howard Smith
Nov. 1	Kathy E. Ramage	Lebanon	Marjorie Roberts	Richard Kilian
Nov. 1	Harriet P. Shea	New London	Ruth Kellogg	Stephen Puffer
Nov. 4	Roland A. Aubuchon	Hanover	Christina Koester	Raleigh Aubuchon

I hereby certify the above to be correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty H. Ramspott, Town Clerk & Tax Collector

2000 CEMETERY REPORT

Burials

Date	Name	Cemetery	Lot
January 27	Collins Sr., Dexter	New Eastman	81A #1
May 19	Porter, Marian	New Eastman	53A #2
May 21	Avery, Priscilla	New Eastman	15A #1
May 26	Achilles, Louis	New Eastman	30A #4
August 14	Putney, Arnold	Old Eastman Ext	41 #1
September 29	Cross, Ilene	New Eastman	32B #2
October 3	Young, Virginia	New Eastman	53D #3
November 1	Ramage, Kathy	New Eastman	88B #3
November 23	Weld, Myrtle	South	49 #2

Cremations

Date	Name	Cemetery	Lot
April 7, 1998	Brown, Edward M	New Eastman	83B #1
December 17, 1999	Foote, Clara L	New Eastman	53B #1
March 28, 2000	Jonas, Otto	Old Eastman Ext	78 #1
April 3	Gallup, Donald	New Eastman	75A #4
May 18	Lewis, Olive	Georges Mills	
July 10	Lary, Kevin R	New Eastman	61A #1
September 4	Hodges, Willard J	New Eastman	91A #4
September 9	Sanborn, Bonnie	New Eastman	76A #4
September 14	Young, Waldo A	Old Eastman Ext	3 #2

EXECUTIVE ORGANIZATION

SUNAPEE SCHOOL BOARD

Christine Stoddard, Chairperson	Term Expires 2003
Jolyon Johnson, Vice Chairperson	Term Expires 2001
Shaun Charroll, Jr.	Term Expires 2001
Virginia Feeney	Term Expires 2001
Peter Titus	Term Expires 2002

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #43 OFFICERS

Brian Stillson, Chairperson	Newport
Lorraine Newcomb, Vice Chairperson	Croydon
Shaun Carroll, Jr., Secretary	Sunapee
Leslie Hutchins, Treasurer	Croydon

OFFICERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Moderator	Harry Gale
Clerk	Betty Ramspott
Treasurer	Alan Doherty

ADMINISTRATION

Superintendent of Schools	Dr. William J. Gauthier, Jr.
Assistant Superintendent	Dr. Marilyn B. Brannigan
Special Needs Director	P. Joy Kiely
Business Administrator	James Fenn
Office Personnel	Beth Laramie
	Joyce Merrow
	Lynn Oakes
	Krystyna Samiec
Truant Officer	Christopher Domian
School Nurses	Marilyn McLaughlin
	Marilyn Sherman

**SUNAPEE SCHOOL DISTRICT
WARRANT ARTICLES
SCHOOL YEAR 2002**

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Sunapee qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the David W. Sherburne Gymnasium located on Route 11, in said Sunapee, New Hampshire, on Tuesday, February 6, 2001 at 7:00 PM for the first session of the annual School District Meeting, to deliberate upon the articles, and to meet again at the David W. Sherburne Gymnasium located on Route 11, in said Sunapee, New Hampshire on Tuesday, March 13, 2001 between the hours of 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM for the second session of the Annual School District Meeting, to vote by ballot upon the following articles.

ARTICLE 1

To choose a moderator, clerk, and treasurer for the ensuing year and to choose two members of the School Board for the ensuing three years and one member of the School Board for the ensuing one year.

ARTICLE 2

To hear reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Sunapee School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purpose set forth therein, totaling \$6,686,881.00? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$6,409,229.00, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Sunapee School District or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (Note: Warrant Article #3 (operating budget) does not include appropriations under any other warrant article.) (School Board recommends approval)

ARTICLE 4

Shall the School District vote to raise and appropriate up to twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) to be added to the school district Special Education Trust Fund previously established, with such amount to be funded

from the year end undesignated fund balance if available on June 30, 2001.
(School Board recommends approval)

ARTICLE 5

Shall the School District purchase a full size school bus and raise and appropriate the sum of \$58,000.00 for this purpose. (School Board recommends approval)

ARTICLE 6

Shall the School District raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 and place said funds into the School Facilities Capital Reserve Fund? (A vote at an annual school district meeting is required in order to spend any funds from this Capital Reserve Fund) (School Board recommends approval)

ARTICLE 7

Shall the School District repair the underground heating oil tanks located at the Central Elementary School, Sherburne Gymnasium and Middle/High School to comply with the current New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services mandates and raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000.00 for this purpose. (School Board recommends approval)

ARTICLE 8

Shall the School District repair and upgrade the heating system control and distribution system at the Central Elementary School as recommended by the District=s heating contractor and raise and appropriate the sum of \$38,000.00 for this purpose. (School Board recommends approval)

ARTICLE 9

Shall the School District raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$125,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing the Sorento property, map 22 lot 29 on the Town of Sunapee tax maps, if the property becomes available, during fiscal year 2001-2002. (School Board recommends approval)

Given under our hand this 16th day of January, two thousand one.

SUNAPEE SCHOOL BOARD

Christine J. Stoddard, Chair

Jolyon Johnson, Vice Chair

Virginia Feeney

Shaun Carroll

Peter Titus

A True Copy Warrant - Attested:

Sunapee School District Clerk

Betty Ramspott

ENROLLMENT
August 28, 2000

SCHOOL GRADE		NO. OF PUPILS	SCHOOL TOTAL
Sunapee Elementary	Kindergarten	34	
	1	39	
	2	31	
	3	43	
	4	38	
	5	47	232
Middle High School	6	44	
	7	54	153
	8	55	
High School	9	50	
	10	41	
	11	51	
	12	56	198
Total pupils enrolled in all schools			583

SUNAPEE DISTRICT PERSONNEL

SUNAPEE MIDDLE HIGH SCHOOL

NAME	POSITION	INSTITUTION	DEGREE	YEARS IN ED	YRS IN SUNAPEE
Thomas Witham	Principal	Salem State College	M.Ed.	32	3
Holly Norton	Assistant Principal	Bowling Green State Univ.	M.Ed.	17	2
Gail G. Baade	Spanish/Art	University of Mexico	MA	26	7
Brent Baker	MS Science	St. Lawrence University	BA	5	5
David Barry	Physical Education	Plymouth State	BS	30	30
Ronald Beaudet	Mathematics	Keene State College	BS	26	26
Richard Byrne	English	Webster College	MA	2	9
Sharon Christie	Home Economics	U. Mass.-Amherst	BS	10	2
John Dargie	Science	Plymouth State	MS	33	27
Laura Davis	French	University of NH	MA	30.5	30
James Field	English	Keene State College	M.Ed.	32	32
Paul Gallup	Athletic Director	Plymouth State	BS	1	1
John Gosselin	Industrial Arts	Keene State College	BS	25	25
Karen Gosselin	Business Education	Plymouth State	BS	25	25
Betty May Graham	Special Education	Lesley College	MS	28	1
James Grenier	Mathematics/Physics	Worcester Poly Tech.	MS	25	20
Sandra Guest	Librarian/Elem/MHS	University of Pittsburgh	MLS	23	21
Linda Houston	Special Education	Plymouth State College	BS	21	2
Jack Iacopino	Science	University of NH	BS	4	5
Laura Kessler	Social Studies	Notre Dame College	MA	9	7
Corinne Levasseur	Middle School	Keene State College	BS	7	7
Patricia McCabe	Social Studies	Keene State College	M.Ed.	15	15
Lyra Neville	Mathematics	University of New Mexico	MA	17	3
Janice M. Porter	English	University of NH	BA	8	5
Alan Peterson	Music/Elem/MHS	University of NH	BS	26	25
Ellen Pysz	Middle School	Antioch/NE University	MA	32	31
Meagan Reed	Social Studies	University of N. Carolina	BS	3	3
Donald Roberts	Guidance	Western State College	MA	26	17
Michelle Rogers	Spanish	Rivier College	MA	9	3
Alan Shulman	Special Education	Rivier College	M.Ed.	10	2
Marcia Spencer	Social Studies	Yale University	MA	26	6

SUNAPEE CENTRAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Karen Curren	Principal	Plymouth State College	M.Ed.	25	1
Susan Bass	Art	University Southern Maine	BA	1	1
Cynthia L. Benson	Grade 1	Antioch/NE University	MA	23	1
Muriel Bergeron	Grade 2	Antioch/NE University	M.Ed.	13	11
Valerie Blachly	Special Education	New England College	BS	10	2
Brenda Brode	Guidance	Keene State College	M.Ed.	2	1
Charlotte Carlson	Grade 2	University of S. Maine	MS	30	30
Pamela E. Colanero	Special Education	Bridgewater State College	BS	7	4
Bonnie Cruz	Physical Education	Springfield College	BS	8	5
Marianne Doherty	Special Education	Antioch/NE Univer/CLL	M.Ed.	14	14
Anna Duke	Grade 5	Plymouth State	B.Ed.	39	39

SUNAPEE CENTRAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

NAME	POSITION	INSTITUTION	DEGREE	YEARS IN ED	YRS IN SUNAPEE
Brenda Huff	Grade 1	University of NH	M.Ed.	28	18
Stephanie Hubert	Special Education	Keene State College	BS	6	2
Michael Kennedy	Grade 3	Keene State College	BS	23	22
Pamela Larpenr	Grade 3	University of NH	BS	16	13
Grace Rechisky	Kindergarten	Antioch/NE University	M.Ed.	16	13
Cheryl Roberts	Grade 4	Antioch/NE University	M.Ed.	19	17
Deborah L. Shapiro	Kindergarten	Colby Saywer College	BS	5	4
Kathleen Skinner	Reading Specialist	Vanderbilt University	MA	25	5
Joanne Skarin	Grade 5	Notre Dame	M.Ed.	14	11
Joanne Tuxbury	Grade 4	Keene State College	M.Ed.	31	24
Kathryn G. Wickson	Grade 1	Nathaniel Hawthorne Co.	BA	13	1
PamMaurer-Waltzer	Band				
David Chaves	Chorus Director				

NURSES

Marilyn Sherman	Middle High School
Marilyn McLaughlin	Elementary School

BUS DRIVERS

Martha Hill	Barbara Lamer
Christie Hutchinson	Robert Mills
William Roth	

SECRETARIES

Joan Chandler	Elementary School
Kathryn Ward	Elementary School
Darlene Morse	Middle High School
Sandra Webb	Middle High School

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Elizabeth Halverson	Kathleen Skinner	Christie Hutchinson
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CUSTODIANS

Robert Abraham	Middle High School
Roland Akkola	Elementary
Doug MacWilliams	Elementary
Wade Marbach	Middle High School
Robert Mills	Middle High School
Michael Newton	Middle High School
William Roth	Bldg/Trans Supervisor

RELATED SERVICES

Daniel Hudkins	Technology Coordinator
Barbara Lague	Speech Language Pathologist
Catherine Linehan	Psychotherapist
Kandra Palmer	Certified Occupational Therapy Asst.
Joseph Rapalje	School Psychologist

FOOD SERVICE

Valerie Sanborn	Director
Alona Drew	HS/Elementary
Peggy Ricketts	Elementary
Pamela Quimby	Elementary
Sandra Richardson	High School

SPECIAL EDUCATION ASSISTANTS

Deborah Allen	Tasha Biron
Kim Brayshaw	Sandra Byrne
Lynn Brewer	Jean Chandler
Susan Catsam	Carol Coolbeth
Jeanne Circosta	Nancy Gove
Deborah Fifield	Sue Hamel
Robin Longtin	Barbara Mason
Linda McLaughlin	Wendy Munn
Judith Ryan	Laurie Schmidt
Barbara Simeone	Pam Stocker
Alison Smith	Donnalee Thomas
Donna Van Den Berg	Elizabeth Trainor

AIDES

Patricia Adams	Library
Joyce Internicola	Library
Tammy Hamel	Instructional Assistant
Kathy Gray	Instructional Assistant

**SUNAPEE SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT**

As of June 30, 2000

	Middle/High School Addition
Date of Issue	July 15, 1997
Original Amount	\$4,054,000.00
Annual Maturity Date	August 1
Interest Payable	February 1 August 1
First payment date	August 1, 1998
Final payment date	August 1, 2012
Annual Principal	\$ 270,000.00
Amount Outstanding, June 30, 2000	\$3,510,000.00

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FISCAL YEAR 2002
ADOPTED BUDGET

	FY 2000 BUDGET	FY 2000 ACTUAL	FY 2001 BOARD ADOPTED	FY 2002 BOARD ADOPTED
APPROPRIATIONS				
WAGES	\$345,216.00	\$353,126.35	\$385,567.00	\$392,805.00
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$101,894.00	\$93,250.28	\$120,250.00	\$137,710.00
PURCHASED SERVICES	\$8,000.00	\$5,042.11	\$8,000.00	\$7,000.00
PURCHASED PROPERTY SERV	\$24,120.00	\$16,934.60	\$30,760.00	\$36,340.00
OTHER PURCHASED SERV	\$16,400.00	\$9,378.21	\$18,400.00	\$18,550.00
SUPPLIES	\$10,000.00	\$11,498.91	\$10,000.00	\$10,500.00
PROPERTY	\$1,200.00	\$2,005.78	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
DUES & FEES	\$5,500.00	\$3,861.71	\$5,500.00	\$5,000.00
TOTAL	\$512,330.00	\$495,097.95	\$580,977.00	\$610,405.00
REVENUES				
DISTRICT ASSESSMENTS	\$488,320.00	\$488,320.00	\$545,682.00	\$579,105.00
INTEREST INCOME	\$1,300.00	\$353.95	\$600.00	\$600.00
CO-PAY INSURANCE	\$6,710.00	\$3,587.53	\$9,010.00	\$3,500.00
OTHER MISC REVENUES	\$15,000.00	\$40,400.74	\$25,685.00	\$27,200.00
TOTAL REVENUES	\$511,330.00	\$532,662.22	\$580,977.00	\$610,405.00
ALLOCATIONS				
CROYDON	\$15,304.48	\$15,304.48	\$16,468.39	\$17,241.89
NEWPORT	\$249,597.94	\$249,597.94	\$282,550.50	\$299,040.81
SUNAPEE	\$223,417.58	\$223,417.58	\$246,663.11	\$262,822.30
TOTAL ALLOCATIONS	\$488,320.00	\$488,320.00	\$545,682.00	\$579,105.00

SUNAPEE SCHOOL DISTRICT
FISCAL YEAR 2002
BOARD ADOPTED BUDGET SUMMARY

01/16/01

ACCOUNT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	FY 2000 ACTUAL	FY 2001 VOTER APPROVED	FY 2002 ADMIN. PROPOSED	FY 2002 BOARD ADOPTED
01-11000	REGULAR INSTRUCTION				
	WAGES - TEACHERS	\$1,522,450.80	\$1,578,950.00	\$1,711,495.00	\$1,658,225.00
	WAGES - AIDES	\$36,856.50	\$25,705.00	\$26,785.00	\$26,785.00
	WAGES - SUBSTITUTES	\$24,598.00	\$43,000.00	\$43,500.00	\$43,500.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$475,412.70	\$459,705.00	\$584,870.00	\$568,575.00
	PURCHASED SERVICES	\$16,415.21	\$17,000.00	\$19,050.00	\$19,050.00
	SUPPLIES & TEXTS	\$95,891.15	\$107,677.00	\$120,570.00	\$116,210.00
	PROPERTY	\$11,478.51	\$8,915.00	\$27,780.00	\$18,230.00
	TOTAL 11000 ACCTS	\$2,183,102.87	\$2,240,952.00	\$2,534,050.00	\$2,450,575.00
01-12100	SPECIAL EDUCATION				
	WAGES - TEACHERS	\$203,673.51	\$228,335.00	\$284,195.00	\$284,195.00
	WAGES - AIDES	\$247,780.14	\$335,762.00	\$326,835.00	\$326,835.00
	WAGES - SPED BUS DRIVER	\$630.00	\$9,640.00	\$9,980.00	\$9,980.00
	WAGES - SUBSTITUTES	\$8,840.00	\$8,450.00	\$8,450.00	\$8,450.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$171,325.76	\$238,699.00	\$305,775.00	\$305,775.00
	PURCHASED SERVICES	\$9,439.66	\$2,000.00	\$73,100.00	\$81,100.00
	TUITION (SPED & PRESCHOOL)	\$140,165.18	\$135,680.00	\$132,400.00	\$132,400.00
	SUPPLIES	\$4,803.43	\$5,425.00	\$8,040.00	\$7,040.00
	PROPERTY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
	TOTAL 12100 ACCTS	\$786,657.68	\$963,991.00	\$1,149,775.00	\$1,136,775.00
01-12200	RELATED SERVICES				
	WAGES - TEACHERS	\$153,536.17	\$139,685.00	\$144,575.00	\$144,575.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$41,403.05	\$45,000.00	\$55,230.00	\$55,230.00
	PURCHASED SERVICES	\$16,309.58	\$15,500.00	\$17,600.00	\$17,600.00
	SUPPLIES	\$1,744.90	\$2,750.00	\$1,225.00	\$1,225.00
	TOTAL 12200 ACCTS	\$212,993.70	\$202,935.00	\$218,630.00	\$218,630.00
01-13000	VOCATIONAL EDUCATION				
	WAGES - BUS DRIVER	\$10,379.50	\$11,125.00	\$11,180.00	\$11,180.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$6,752.90	\$9,470.00	\$12,485.00	\$12,485.00
	TUITION	\$8,459.49	\$9,500.00	\$13,575.00	\$13,575.00
	TOTAL 13000 ACCTS	\$25,591.89	\$30,095.00	\$37,240.00	\$37,240.00
01-14000	COCURRICULAR ACTIVITIES				
	WAGES - SCHOOL ACTIVITIES	\$19,764.16	\$29,747.00	\$23,526.00	\$19,271.00
	WAGES - ATHLETICS	\$49,675.40	\$42,141.00	\$47,015.00	\$47,015.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$5,615.11	\$8,836.00	\$7,945.00	\$7,830.00
	PURCHASED SERVICES	\$10,050.00	\$7,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
	SUPPLIES	\$3,882.75	\$2,900.00	\$12,350.00	\$12,350.00
	ATHLETIC SUPPLIES	\$27,081.97	\$27,026.00	\$40,205.00	\$40,205.00
	PROPERTY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	TOTAL 14000 ACCTS	\$116,069.39	\$117,650.00	\$143,041.00	\$138,671.00
01-21200	GUIDANCE				
	WAGES - COUNSELORS	\$90,651.60	\$85,930.00	\$104,000.00	\$104,000.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$11,973.86	\$13,760.00	\$26,155.00	\$26,155.00
	SUPPLIES	\$4,046.90	\$5,700.00	\$14,575.00	\$14,575.00
	PROPERTY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	TOTAL 21200 ACCTS	\$106,672.36	\$105,390.00	\$144,730.00	\$144,730.00

ACCOUNT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	FY 2000 ACTUAL	FY 2001 VOTER APPROVED	FY 2002 ADMIN. PROPOSED	FY 2002 BOARD ADOPTED
01-21300	HEALTH SERVICES				
	WAGES - NURSES	\$62,097.52	\$64,330.00	\$68,520.00	\$68,520.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$15,901.25	\$18,370.00	\$21,985.00	\$21,985.00
	PURCHASED SERVICES	\$146.00	\$580.00	\$335.00	\$335.00
	SUPPLIES	\$1,898.77	\$2,600.00	\$3,350.00	\$2,750.00
	PROPERTY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
	TOTAL 21300 ACCTS	\$80,043.54	\$85,880.00	\$94,690.00	\$94,090.00
01-22130	SUPPORT SERVICES				
	WAGES - SUBSTITUTES	\$2,844.80	\$2,600.00	\$2,600.00	\$2,600.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$217.67	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
	PROF. DEVELOPMENT	\$11,208.77	\$19,900.00	\$23,900.00	\$21,900.00
	CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT	\$2,068.85	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
	TOTAL 22130 ACCTS	\$16,340.09	\$26,700.00	\$30,700.00	\$28,700.00
01-22200	MEDIA SERVICES				
	WAGES - LIBRARIAN	\$48,536.38	\$49,289.00	\$50,185.00	\$50,185.00
	WAGES - AIDES	\$24,510.74	\$26,245.00	\$31,180.00	\$31,180.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$22,585.06	\$28,050.00	\$35,325.00	\$35,325.00
	PURCHASED SERVICES	\$799.90	\$3,575.00	\$3,575.00	\$3,575.00
	SUPPLIES	\$4,472.40	\$7,000.00	\$8,500.00	\$8,500.00
	BOOKS & PERIODICALS	\$8,327.17	\$9,400.00	\$20,450.00	\$20,450.00
	PROPERTY	\$1,187.15	\$1,750.00	\$15,955.00	\$14,055.00
	TOTAL 22200 ACCTS	\$110,418.80	\$125,309.00	\$165,170.00	\$163,270.00
01-22250	TECHNOLOGY				
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
	PURCHASED SERVICES	\$11,093.97	\$27,950.00	\$33,100.00	\$29,100.00
	SUPPLIES	\$4,272.45	\$10,302.00	\$27,500.00	\$21,500.00
	PROPERTY	\$3,505.00	\$0.00	\$92,500.00	\$92,500.00
	TOTAL 22250 ACCTS	\$18,871.42	\$38,252.00	\$155,100.00	\$143,100.00
01-23100	SCHOOL BOARD/ELECTIONS				
	WAGES	\$4,675.00	\$4,700.00	\$6,705.00	\$4,815.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$8.80	\$0.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
	PURCHASED SERVICES	\$24,648.12	\$25,000.00	\$28,500.00	\$28,500.00
	SUPPLIES	\$5,629.09	\$2,100.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
	DUES & FEES	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00
	TOTAL 23100 ACCTS	\$35,161.01	\$31,800.00	\$43,015.00	\$41,125.00
01-23210	SAU SERVICES				
	SAU ALLOCATION	\$223,420.00	\$249,435.00	\$274,380.00	\$262,825.00
	TOTAL 23210 ACCTS	\$223,420.00	\$249,435.00	\$274,380.00	\$262,825.00
01-24100	OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL				
	WAGES - PRINCIPALS	\$170,769.25	\$179,160.00	\$185,640.00	\$185,640.00
	WAGES - SECRETARIAL	\$65,965.02	\$70,645.00	\$72,635.00	\$72,635.00
	PAY EQUALIZATION	\$0.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
	COMPUTER COORDINATOR	\$34,999.90	\$36,050.00	\$64,690.00	\$64,690.00
	ATHLETIC DIRECTOR	\$31,464.86	\$28,840.00	\$29,850.00	\$29,850.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$87,246.76	\$97,165.00	\$128,640.00	\$128,640.00
	PURCHASED SERVICES	\$29,264.09	\$23,980.00	\$28,030.00	\$28,030.00
	SUPPLIES	\$5,037.14	\$7,150.00	\$10,250.00	\$10,250.00
	PROPERTY	\$0.00	\$1,600.00	\$2,300.00	\$1,000.00
	DUES & FEES	\$6,145.64	\$5,660.00	\$7,235.00	\$7,235.00
	TOTAL 24100 ACCTS	\$430,892.66	\$480,250.00	\$559,270.00	\$557,970.00

ACCOUNT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	FY 2000 ACTUAL	FY 2001 VOTER APPROVED	FY 2002 ADMIN. PROPOSED	FY 2002 BOARD ADOPTED
01-26000	OPERATION & PLANT MANAGEMENT				
	WAGES - CUSTODIANS	\$142,703.97	\$148,985.00	\$150,230.00	\$150,230.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$37,494.43	\$53,055.00	\$76,980.00	\$76,980.00
	PURCHASED SERVICES	\$36,403.37	\$33,035.00	\$45,000.00	\$43,275.00
	PURCHASED PROPERTY SERV	\$29,008.04	\$46,590.00	\$55,170.00	\$55,170.00
	SUPPLIES	\$145,506.63	\$152,650.00	\$180,600.00	\$173,100.00
	PROPERTY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00
	CONTINGENCY	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
	TOTAL 26000 ACCTS	\$391,116.44	\$435,315.00	\$516,980.00	\$507,755.00
01-27000	PUPIL TRANSPORTATION				
	WAGES - BUS DRIVERS	\$62,668.70	\$45,030.00	\$62,630.00	\$62,630.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$13,269.66	\$7,255.00	\$9,605.00	\$9,605.00
	PURCHASED SERVICES	\$4,631.75	\$8,100.00	\$8,600.00	\$8,600.00
	PURCHASED PROPERTY SERV	\$6,859.06	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00
	SUPPLIES	\$4,493.30	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00
	FUEL/OIL	\$4,791.58	\$7,500.00	\$9,500.00	\$9,500.00
	TOTAL 27000 ACCTS	\$96,714.05	\$82,885.00	\$105,335.00	\$105,335.00
01-31900	LUNCH PROGRAM				
	WAGES - AIDES	\$4,415.57	\$7,075.00	\$15,800.00	\$15,800.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$346.07	\$590.00	\$1,310.00	\$1,310.00
	CONTINGENCY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	TOTAL 31900 ACCTS	\$4,761.64	\$7,665.00	\$17,110.00	\$17,110.00
01-45000	WARRANT ARTICLES				
	WARRANT ARTICLES	\$87,987.97	\$238,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	TOTAL 45000 ACCTS	\$87,987.97	\$238,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
01-51100	DEBT SERVICE				
	DEBT - PRINCIPAL	\$270,000.00	\$270,000.00	\$270,000.00	\$270,000.00
	DEBT - INTEREST	\$168,210.00	\$156,060.00	\$143,910.00	\$143,910.00
	TOTAL 51100 ACCTS	\$438,210.00	\$426,060.00	\$413,910.00	\$413,910.00
	SUB TOTALS	\$5,365,025.51	\$5,888,564.00	\$6,603,126.00	\$6,461,811.00
	FOOD SERVICE	\$171,290.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00
	FEDERAL PROGRAMS	\$11,039.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
	TOTAL BUDGET	\$5,547,354.51	\$6,113,564.00	\$6,828,126.00	\$6,686,811.00

SUNAPEE SCHOOL DISTRICT
FISCAL YEAR 2002
PROJECTED REVENUES

01/16/01

ACCOUNT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	FY 2000 ACTUAL	FY 2001 VOTER APPROVED	FY 2002 ADMIN. PROPOSED	FY 2002 BOARD ADOPTED
01-01311	TUITION - PARENTS	\$11,606.70	\$5,000.00	\$11,000.00	\$11,000.00
01-01320	TUITION - NH LEA	\$179,724.17	\$150,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00
01-01322	SPED TUITION - NH LEA	\$34,000.00	\$22,000.00	\$22,000.00	\$22,000.00
01-01342	OTHER SPED REIMBURSEMEN	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
01-01510	EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS	\$17,097.91	\$750.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
01-01990	OTHER LOCAL REVENUE	\$10,071.17	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00
01-01980	WORKERS' COMP REFUND	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
01-01991	CO-PAY INS INCOME	\$47,707.36	\$52,000.00	\$53,000.00	\$53,000.00
01-03800	FOUNDATION AID	\$2,155,513.00	\$2,155,513.00	\$2,155,513.00	\$2,155,513.00
01-03120	SHARED REVENUES	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
01-03210	BUILDING AID - STATE	\$81,519.56	\$82,200.00	\$82,200.00	\$82,200.00
01-03220	KINDERGARTEN AID - STATE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
01-03230	CATASTROPHIC AID - STATE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
01-03240	VOCATIONAL AID - STATE	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
01-03270	DRIVERS EDUCATION - STATE	\$9,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
01-03290	OTHER STATE GRANTS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
01-04580	MEDICAID REVENUES	\$79,918.17	\$50,000.00	\$70,000.00	\$70,000.00
01-04580	FOOD SERVICE	\$171,290.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00
01-04580	FEDERAL GRANTS	\$11,039.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
01-04580	FUND BALANCE	\$0.00	\$25,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
01-05251	TRANS FROM CAP RESERVE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	TOTAL NON TAX REVENUES	\$2,808,487.04	\$2,789,963.00	\$2,822,713.00	\$2,822,713.00
01-01111	TAX ASSESSMENT	\$2,820,847.00	\$3,323,601.00	\$4,004,613.00	\$3,864,098.00
	TOTAL REVENUES	\$5,629,334.04	\$6,113,564.00	\$6,827,326.00	\$6,686,811.00

SUNAPEE SCHOOL BOARD

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To All Citizens of Sunapee

The Sunapee School Board spends one meeting a year to establish specific goals for the next year. Our mission is always to provide a secure, challenging environment with high academic, social and civic expectations for preparing students to become caring and contributing members of society. This year our first goal was to develop, support and implement a budget that meets the expectations of our mission statement. Input from administration, staff, BAC, and public have brought forward a budget to accomplish this - only with the support of your vote.

Our second goal is to develop and articulate the K-12 curriculum with emphasis on the middle school transition. Appointing the Assistant Principal to focus on middle school is helping attain the middle school transition concern. The Board formed an education committee with the charge to review our curriculum, assessment, development and total educational program.

The third goal was to develop and adopt facilities improvement plan that addresses capital projects, maintenance projects and elementary school property evaluation projects. We have adopted a capital improvement plan and formed a facilities committee with this goal and each year they will have specific goals to focus on.

Our fourth goal was to increase public accessibility to school related information. We held a public information meeting in the summer. The purpose was for any interested individuals to come and ask questions about the school district as a whole. In our continuing effort to communicate to the citizens of Sunapee, we sent out a mailing and are reviewing other methods to educate the public in general - not just the parents of students - about all of our goals and accomplishments.

The Board is working continually on improving communications with all the people they encounter, educating, sharing and learning new ways to achieve our mission of excellence.

Sunapee School Board

Christine J. Stoddard
Jolyon Johnson
Virginia Feeney
Shaun Carroll
Peter Titus

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

It has been a pleasure for the SAU management team to work with the Sunapee School Board, administrators and teachers during the 2000-2001 school year. We have faced many interest challenges, perhaps most importantly making severe cuts because last years proposed budget did not pass. However, we all learned form the experience. This year the Board worked very closely with the BAC – the result being that the BAC supports all but one article. The dialog was open and honest and the Board worked hard to answer questions concerning the need to purchase property adjacent to the school for both safety and future development reasons.

We attempt to employ a site based management model where principals have a great deal of authority in managing and administering their schools, following school board policies and directives. Significant improvements have been made in the areas of teacher development and evaluation, curriculum, instruction and assessment and particularly in technology.

We have initiated the opportunity for the President of the Sunapee Teachers Association to meet with the superintendent to discuss emerging problems and concerns. Hopefully problems can be solved before they become formal complaints or grievances.

This year the Sunapee School Board was presented with their first written Capital Improvements Plan. This plan establishes a five year plan for major building renovations and capital purchases for the school district. The plan was adopted by the board January 20, 2001.

Renovations at both the Central Elementary School and the Sherburne Gym are substantially completed. Due to savings on the window repairs at the Central Elementary School we will be able to expand the scope of the proposed exterior painting project at that facility this spring.

Bus safety has been a focus for many of us this year. We have implemented several improvements in our regular inspection procedures to ensure that all Sunapee buses meet or exceed all state and federal safety regulations.

Curriculum development and focus on staff development support the high expectations of the Sunapee School District. Throughout the year, the SAU has worked with the staff at each school to analyze the needs of students and formulate strategies for meeting those needs. Improving achievement has and will continue to be a major goal. To accomplish our mission, much has been done this year:

- Sunapee has been a part of the SAU “Best School Initiative”. The Best School Leadership team has as its primary focus, the effective integration of technology as an educational tool. We will use our resources to improve the quality of student learning and their ability to transfer skills to new situations. Organizational skills, higher order thinking skills, writing skills and making world-wide connections will be incorporated into the technological tool acquisition of students. The National Educational Technology Standards (NETS) will be used to develop curriculum spirals and integrated units of study.
- We believe that excellence in teaching and challenging educational program offerings for students are essential for successful learning. Therefore, the SAU coordinated staff development programs have focused on helping each staff member increase his/her repertoire of technological strategies as a means of enhancing instructional programming for students.
- Next year students will be expected to use expanded technology in all classes. We will be offering “Virtual High School” courses to students in the High School.
- To make all of this happen, we continue to apply for and are awarded grants to help support our efforts to enrich the curriculum.

As a community we need your support. Linkages with community resources will create stronger programs. We need to integrate authentic problems, experiences, and solutions into our instructional strategies. Join our District Educational Improvement Committee (DEIP), offer students an opportunity to generate resolutions to real community problems, bring your expertise into the schools to bridge the authentic gap, offer internships and partnerships so students can produce worthwhile products. Together we can effectively open this world for our students

Special educators have worked collaboratively with outside resources to meet the needs of students with challenging, academic and behavioral needs, ensuring students remain in the least restrictive environment. We continue to expand special education services along a continuum that is most cost-effective.

The special education staff has provided extensive professional development opportunities to all, as described in The Five Year Plan. Another goal described in The Five Year Plan has been met; early release days have offered the

assistants staff development training.

Procedures and structures are in place to help with a smooth transition from elementary to middle-school.

A consistency of paperwork within the Sunapee District has been developed, facilitating a better flow of administration.

Special educators have worked collaboratively within the district to meet the needs of all students and to share expertise.

All of the above-mentioned effort have brought about improved Special Education services to Sunapee youth.

Dr. William J. Gauthier, Jr.
Superintendent

Dr. Marilyn B. Brannigan
Assistant Superintendent

James C. Fenn
Business Administrator

P. Joy Kiely
Special Education Director

Sunapee Central Elementary School

Annual Principal's Report

1999-2000 School Year

In October, 2000, I began my initial year as the Principal of the Sunapee Central Elementary School. Dr. Howard Goodrow, Interim Principal, and Joan Chandler, Administrative Assistant, helped me to make a smooth transition into the school community. I am privileged to be working with a staff and administration so dedicated to children and to one another! As I am new to this school, let me offer my observations of this year rather than last.

During those first days, I met with each class of students and teachers to encourage the continuation of developing a caring, learning environment for the 230 students who attend Sunapee Central Elementary School. Our enrollment figures this year, as of October 1, 2000, are as follows:

KINDERGARTEN	= 34	
GRADE 1 -	= 38	
GRADE 2 -	= 32	
GRADE 3 -	= 43	
GRADE 4 -	= 37	
GRADE 5 -	<u>= 46</u>	
TOTAL - GRADES K-5		=230

Throughout the year, our highly skilled staff has been working to develop more specific procedures to maintain consistent approaches in the areas of special education referral, discipline, security, maintenance and staff meetings.

A major area of concentration this year is student skill assessment. The staff has reviewed the NHEIAP (New Hampshire Education Improvement Assessment Program) tests taken at the 3rd, 6th and 10th grade levels. Based on these data, the staff has determined targets for improvement in Language Arts, Math, Science and Social Studies skills, at each grade level. Currently, we are meeting in cross-grade level groups, with representation from each grade, to insure that we are providing our students with a thorough scope and sequence of skills, in all subject areas, which are consistently taught throughout the grades. These meetings are providing teachers with the opportunity to discuss exit and entrance skills, from grade to grade, and to share ideas on teaching methods which enhance skills at each level. This process will have a direct educational benefit to the children, as each teacher will be more clear about how skills have been taught from grade to grade and can, therefore, more effectively and consistently reinforce the students' skills as they develop.

Technology opportunities at Sunapee Central continue to expand. E-mail access to all staff members makes it possible for daily announcements to be sent via personal computer and for parents and teachers to have quick access to one another. We have a technology committee which is responsible for developing and implementing staff development opportunities and reviewing technology goals and objectives for the Sunapee District. Teachers have been encouraged to develop classroom lessons using a variety of computer applications in order to enhance their students' understanding of the subject matter. Our "Technology Night", held in January 2001, gave community members the opportunity to observe our students using some of the programs and applications which they have learned. We look forward to extending and enriching our students' learning through technology as we develop and learn new operations and programming.

Programs approved by the School Board over the past few years continue to have extremely positive effects upon our academic program:

- The kindergarten full day program has increased our kindergarten students achievement level; our first grade teachers report that their incoming students are at a higher level of understanding in the areas of reading and math than other classes have been, without the full day program. Plymouth State College has asked our staff to present at their 2001 Annual Spring Education Conference regarding all day kindergarten.
- Our behavioral program, Success, has given students concrete skills which have enabled them to improve their behavior and to function more responsibly in our school environment.

I would like to thank the voters for their financial support for these programs. It is clear that this community is committed to high quality educational programs which enhance students' abilities.

I want to acknowledge the contributions of the following organizations to the Sunapee Central Elementary School this year:

A. The Sunapee Parent Teacher Organization continues to provide assistance to Sunapee Central in a myriad of ways:

- Playground Committee: established to enhance our playground facility
- Enrichment Committee: provides opportunities for students to experience cultural events and activities
- Fund raising (such as, the Holiday Crafts Bazaar, Flower Show and the Time Travelers): supplements many school activities and materials
- Public Service Activities and Newsletters: keeps the public informed of school events
- Health and Safety Fair: provides information to the Sunapee community regarding health and safety issues
- Teacher Appreciation Week: honors staff and volunteers in the school

B. The Sunapee Lion's Club supports our school by:

- Promoting the Student of the Quarter Awards
- Sponsoring the Annual Bike Race
- Funding a variety of community services

C. School Volunteers:

- So many parents and community members volunteer and become so thoroughly involved that each year Sunapee Central has received the Blue Ribbon Achievement Award for Volunteerism in the Schools. This award is given to exemplary volunteer programs in the State of New Hampshire. Our volunteers provide for: our library and classroom work; Winter Activity Program; snack program; Holiday Craft Bazaar; field trips, special projects; community work; community liaisons to the SPTO; holiday room parents and tutorships by high school students.

D. Community partnerships:

- The Sunapee Recreation Department gives our students many opportunities to play a variety of team sports.
- The Sunapee Police Department presents the D.A.R.E program to our students, teaching them that each individual has the ability to make responsible choices. The department also sponsors a finger printing program and a Halloween program for safety; it hosts classroom field trips and provides safe street crossings for our children, before and after school.
- The Sunapee Fire Department holds classes in fire safety and makes inspections of our facility.
- The Abbot Library exchanges books and programs with us.
- Many town businesses continue to support school projects and special events.

I want to thank and commend each of these organizations and associates. Without their support Sunapee Central School could not offer the variety of topics and the depth of content that we currently do provide.

I am very grateful for the opportunities I am experiencing as I work with the students, staff, parents and community members of the Sunapee District. Please continue to share with me and with the staff, any ideas which will further the growth of our school community and which will build lasting relationships and ensure successful outcomes for our children.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Curren, Principal
Sunapee Central Elementary School



SUNAPEE MIDDLE HIGH SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Commencement exercises were conducted on Memorial Field at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, June 16, 2000. Sunapee School Board Chairperson, Christine Stoddard, awarded diplomas to: **Kathleen Claire Arsenault*** (*Boston College*), **Jonathan D. Atwood** (*University of New Hampshire*), **Bianca Allegra Barbieri*** (*Syracuse University*), **Richard Hugh Bly Jr.** (*NH Vocational Institute, Concord*), **Carissa Ann Brophy** (*Keene State College*), **Audrey Yvonne Brown** (*Franklin Pierce College*), **Carrie Eileen Burrill** (*Keene State College*), **Erin P. Callahan*** (*Colorado College*), **Daniel Malloy Caragher** (*Ithaca College*), **Benjamin Linton Carleton*** (*New England College*), **Richard Allen Chamberlain** (*Work*), **Jon David Chartier** (*Work*), **Kelly Marie Crawford** (*New Hampshire College*), **Terri Leigh Crawford** (*Northern Oklahoma College*), **Christian Allan Demers** (*Keene State College*), **Wendi R. Dowst*** (*Ithaca College*), **Tasha Kristina Gerken*** (*University of Southern Maine*), **Christopher Ryan Gonyea** (*New Hampshire College*), **Jennifer Ann Gonyea** (*Johnson*

State College), **Stephen Andrew Jordan*** (*Susquehanna University*), **Katherine Elizabeth Lantz*** (*Bates College*), **Mary Anne McLaughlin*** (*Plymouth State College*), **Bradley Alan Menard** (*Work*), **Kate Caffrey Meyer** (*University of North Dakota*), **Karen Linnea Oxland** (*University of Nevada*), **Sean Michael Peirce** (*Work*), **Michael Andrew Pollari** (*Castleton State College*), **Christopher James Reed** (*Emerson College*), **Cathy Lee Rissala** (*Work*), **Kristal Elisabeth Rowe** (*Hesser College*), **Thomas Daniel Ruggles** (*Work*), **Sarah Mae Seale** (*NH Technical College, Concord*), **James Edward Stanley** (*University of New Hampshire*), **Katherine Marie Stansfield*** (*University of Vermont*), **Brandon James Stocker** (*Plymouth State College*), **Cristen Elizabeth Thomas** (*Hesser College*), **Amie Elizabeth Vaillancourt** (*Palm Beach Community College*), **Mark A. VanDenBerg*** (*Plymouth State College*), **Adam Robert Vigneault**** (*Babson College*).

*Member of the National Honor Society

+Member of the National Vocational-Technical Honor Society

For the record, awards and scholarships presented at graduation were: **Murvin A. Bailey Award** - Carrie Burrill; **Mickey & Doris Bishop** - Jonathan Atwood, Stephen Jordan, Mark VanDenBerg; **Amanda Marie Burrill Memorial** - Bianca Barbieri; **Hank Carley Industrial Arts Award** - Richard Bly, Jon Chartier; **Charles & Carl Clement Memorial** - Richard Bly; **Ethan S. Clow Memorial** - Christian Demers; **Community Alliance of Human Services** - Terry Crawford; **Cricenti's Market** - Kate Meyer, Sarah Seale, James Stanley, Brandon Stocker, Amie Vaillancourt; **Durgin & Crowell Lumber Co., Inc.** - Christopher Gonyea; **John M. & Della U. Emerson** - Audrey Brown; **Mary Felicia Falzarano** - Richard Bly, Carissa Brophy, Benjamin Carleton, Kelly Crawford, Jennifer Gonyea, Christopher Reed, Kristal Rowe, Katherine Stansfield, Mark VanDenBerg; **Mary Felicia Falzarano: 2ND Year Student** - Greg Garceau; **Charles K. Flint** - Adam Vigneault; **Goshen/Lempster Teacher's Association** - Christopher Gonyea; **Highland Farm** - Erin Callahan, Katherine Stansfield; **Knight's of Columbus** - Kathleen Arsenault; **Lake Sunapee Bank Citizenship Award** - Tasha Gerken; **Annie G. Leone Award** - Adam Vigneault; **McCrillis & Eldridge Insurance Co.** - Katherine Lantz; **John P. Molloy** - Christopher Gonyea; **New London**

Rotary Club - Kathleen Arsenault, Terry Crawford, Kristal Rowe, Katherine Stansfield, **New London Rotary Club: Service Above Self Award** - Tasha Gerken; **Pizza Chef of Sunapee** - Karen Oxland; **Herb Ripley** - Mark VanDenBerg; **Wendell W. Rude Memorial** - Kristal Rowe; **Herbert B. Sawyer** - Richard Bly; **Karen Marie Schrader Memorial** - Tasha Gerken; **John Segalini** - Richard Bly; **David W. Sherburne Memorial** - Kathleen Arsenault; **Sturm, Ruger Sunshine Scholarship Fund** - Benjamin Carleton; **Sugar River Savings Bank** - Jonathan Atwood; **Sullivan Family & Prospect Hill Antiques** - Richard Bly; **Sunapee Alumni Association** - Carissa Brophy; **Sunapee Booster Club** - Tasha Gerken, Katherine Lantz, Mary McLaughlin, Karen Oxland, Christopher Reed, Kristal Rowe; **Sunapee Chapter of the National Honor Society** - Kathleen Arsenault, Mary McLaughlin, **Sunapee Chapter of the National Honor Society: Non Members Receiving Scholarships** - Audrey Brown, Daniel Caragher; **Sunapee Firemen** - Michael Pollari; **Sunapee-Kearsarge Intercommunity Theatre** - Christopher Reed; **Sunapee Lion's Club** - Richard Bly, Cristen Thomas; **Sunapee Teachers Association** - Kathleen Arsenault, Stephen Jordan, Mary McLaughlin, Mark VanDenBerg; **Sunapee Teachers Association: Special Award** - Jon Chartier; **Sunapee Thrift Shop** - Kelly Crawford; **Sunapee Thrift Shop: 2nd Year Students** - Norma Colby, Thomas McKenney; **Tom & Judy Tuohy Memorial** - Tasha Gerken; **United Methodist Church-Meacham** - Carrie Burrill, Mary McLaughlin; **Herbert O. Williams** - Erin Callahan.

Class Day exercises were held on Memorial Field at 1:15 p.m. on Thursday, June 13, 2000. Awards presented were: **College Book Awards: Dartmouth College** - Hannah Bascom; **Harvard University** - Katelyn Gosselin; **Smith College** - Caren Ruggles; **Wellesley College** - Meghan Wilkie; **New London Rotary: Service Above Self Award** - Tasha Gerken; **Daughter's of the American Revolution (D.A.R.): Good Citizenship Award** - Mary McLaughlin; **8th Grade Essay Participant** - Andrea Gosselin; **Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership (H.O.B.Y.) Award** - Benjamin Trow; **Rhode Island School of Design Art Award** - Tracy Hunt; **Nathan Johnson 8th Grade Citizenship Award** - Hartwell Durfor; **American Cancer Society Community Service Award** - Sunapee Chapter, National Honor Society; **Math Team Awards: Senior Division** - Hannah

Bascom, Erin Callahan, Ben Carleton, Kirsten Halverson, Andy Hill, Justin Jacobs, Dorothy Spencer, Kate Stansfield; **Intermediate Division** - Lark Barnett, Jay Brode, Brianna Heath, Julie Heath, Erin Peirce, Emily Roberts, Ben Trow; **Junior Division** - Jeff Billings, Mike Billings, Matt Buchan, Jared Circosta, Cara Leone, Mike Menard, Jess Walter, Van Wiggins; **Harvard Model Congress Awards** - Robert Allen, Katie Arsenault, Bianca Barbieri, Hannah Bascom, Wendi Dowst, Preston Franzen, Chris Gonyea, Katie Gosselin, Brianna Heath, Andy Hill, Joey Snider, Dorothy Spencer; **Mock Trial Competition Awards** - Steve Anderson, Bianca Barbieri, Hannah Bascom, Adria Brown, Audrey Brown, Erin Callahan, Dan Caragher, Ben Carleton, Terri Crawford, Courtney Donnell, Wendi Dowst, Preston Franzen, Nate Gardner, Troy Gardner, Heather Guglielmo, Kirsten Halverson, Brianna Heath, Andy Hill, Caren Ruggles, Melissa Silver, Joey Snider, Dorothy Spencer, Kate Stevens, Ben Trow, Adam Vigneault, Shannon Weaver; **Peer Tutor Awards** - Hannah Bascom, Jay Brode, Adria Brown, Courtney Donnell, Wendi Dowst, Katelyn Gosselin, Brianna Heath, Tia Leavitt, Morgan Maxfield, Amanda Peck, Chris Reed, Kristal Rowe, Caren Ruggles, Emily Scott, Benjamin Trow, Justin Whitman; **Proficient Level – MOUS Exam Awards** - Erin Peirce, Joey Perkins, Amie Vaillancourt; **Thespian Awards: Pins** – Jon Barrett, Jeff Billings, Mike Billings, Christian Demers, Wendi Dowst, Preston Franzen, Dan Gallup, Heather Guglielmo, Kirsten Halverson, Chris Hanson, Kira Mangione, Emily Scott, Nicole Smith, **Stars** – Kate Arsenault, Adria Brown, Harty Durfor, Troy Gardner, Tasha Gerken, Amanda Peck, Chris Reed, Dorothy Spencer; **National Geography Bee Awards: Winner** – Corey McGrath, **Runner-up** – James Adams; **Middle School Spelling Bee Award: Winner** – Sarah Wiggins; **NH Odyssey of the Mind** - Hannah Baade, Julie Heath, Cara Leone, Mandy Lobato, Kelli McHugh, Emily Roberts, Jesse Yarrington; **Perfect Attendance Certificates** - Brendon Baron, Michael Billings, Daniel Coulter, Aimee Dole, Josiah Downey, Tasha Gerken, Alexander Gray, Patrick Guglielmo, Shane Huff, Justin Jacobs, Kasper Kaegi, Suzanne Kaegi, Amy Macie, Kara Morin, Meghan Smith, Benjamin Trow, Joshua Trow; **Academic Achievement Awards: Valedictorian** – Erin Callahan, **Salutatorian** – Katherine Stansfield; **Booster Club Recognition** - Key Chains to Graduating Seniors.

"STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE "

These three words epitomize the major goal of our school. Excellence in teaching and learning, citizenship, athletics, and extra-curricular activities drives all our efforts.

Schools are about "kids" and our "kids" continue to excel academically and personally. The standard of measurement in New Hampshire is the state assessment test. I am pleased to tell you that scores for students in both grades six and ten exceed the state averages in Language Arts, Math, Science and Social Studies, the four curricular areas tested. The state has issued a "report card" for schools this year. It is based on a three-year average of scores on the state assessment tests. Our high school students placed third in the state in Science and Social Studies, fifth in Language Arts, and eleventh in Mathematics out of seventy- six schools. Grade six was not rated because they have not been in this school for three years.

Other highlights for our students are the extra-curricular successes beyond the athletic fields. Odyssey of the Mind teams went to the state finals under the tutelage of Mrs. McCabe and Mr. Baker. Harvard Model Congress faired very well in Boston while the NH Bar Association Mock Trial teams made it to the state finals in Concord, both under the advisorship of Mrs. Spencer. Math teams in both the middle and high school faired well in competition throughout the year.

In athletics our school has done very well again. All the teams remain competitive with large participation from the student body. Ninety-two percent of our students participate in extra-curricular activities with 64% participating in three or more.

During this past year we have concluded the long process of accreditation by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC). The culminating event was a visit by fourteen professional educators from around New England. These educators were very impressed with our school and offered many compliments and suggestions for us. Their report is available at the Abbott Library or from the school library.


We have received our accreditation but with instructions to "ensure sufficient funding for all programs." Other important recommendations from the NEASC are to add a counselor to come within ratio guidelines and to detail budget plans to maintain proper and adequate funding for all programs.

I would like to again thank all those community members, parents, students and teachers who gave so generously of their time throughout the accreditation process. Their hard work has provided us with a great deal of information to help us improve services to the children of Sunapee.

This fall we welcomed one new teacher, a new secretary, a new bus driver and three new teacher aides to our staff. Each of these people replaced someone who left us. Betty May Graham has joined us as a Special Education case manager. She comes to us from Londonderry with a wealth of experience that has been most beneficial to us. Sandra Webb is the new office secretary/receptionist. Christie Hutchinson has taken the wheel on one of our bus routes and Kimberly Brayshaw, Jeanne Circosta, and Nancy Gove are new teacher aides.

On behalf of the staff, I pledge to you that we will all continue to "Strive for Excellence" for the children and community of Sunapee.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas Witham". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid, with a large initial 'T' and a long, sweeping 'W'.

Thomas Witham
Principal

**TOWN OF SUNAPEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
SUNAPEE SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
March 14, 2000**

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Sunapee qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the David W. Sherburne Gymnasium located on Route 11, in said Sunapee, on Tuesday February 8, 2000 at 7:00 PM for the first session of the annual School District Meeting, to deliberate upon the articles, and to meet again at the David W. Sherburne Gymnasium located on Route 11, in said Sunapee, New Hampshire on Tuesday, March 14, 2000 between the hours of 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM for the second session of the Annual School District Meeting, to vote by ballot upon the following articles.

Moderator, Harry S. Gale opened the deliberative session of school district meeting on Tuesday, February 8, 2000 at 7:10 p.m. He reviewed the following housekeeping items: no smoking in the building, and if there were an emergency he gave directions of exits, registered voters only would be allowed to speak, all amendments must be in writing, all questions are to be made to the moderator, certain articles are not amendable, but questions on these articles will be allowed, and all motions require a second. The moderator stated his belief is that everyone that has something to say would be allowed to do so, although, personal attacks would not be tolerated. The moderator read a list of school official that wished to speak that were non-residents. The moderator introduced the head table, and asked Superintendent Dr. William Gauthier to lead the voters in the Pledge of Allegiance. Alan Peterson, Tom Witham, Don Roberts sang the National Anthem. The voters stood for a moment of silence for two citizens Jean Putonen & Dexter Collins, Sr. who served the Town of Sunapee for many years.

ARTICLE 1

To choose a moderator, clerk, and treasurer for the ensuing year and to choose one member of the School Board for the ensuing three years and one member of the School Board for the ensuing one year.

The moderator moved the article to the official ballot.

The polls were open on March 14th from 8:00 a.m. through 7:00 p.m. There were 937 votes cast as follows:

***Denotes Winner.**

School Moderator	*Harry S.Gale	801 Votes	1 Yr. Term
School Board	*Christine Stoddard	715 Votes	3 Yr. Term
	*Virginia (Koko) Feeney	775 Votes	1 Yr. Term
School Clerk	*Betty H. Ramspott	839 Votes	1 Yr. Term
School Treasurer	*Alan Doherty	770 Votes	1 Yr. Term

ARTICLE 2

To hear reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

The moderator moved the article to the official ballot.

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Sunapee School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purpose set forth therein, totaling \$5,928,627.00? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$5,791,366.00, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Sunapee School District or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (Note: Warrant Article #3 (Operating Budget) does not include appropriations under any other warrant article.)

(School Board recommends approval)

(Budget Advisory Committed does not recommend approval)

Christine Stoddard moved the article, and Jolyon Johnson seconded it. Virginia (Koko) Feeney gave an overview of our school system, praising its accomplishments. She discussed the low drop out rate, and the high percentage of students entering secondary school after graduation. Ms. Feeney then introduced Jim Fenn; Business Manager for the SAU who explained the budget in detail. Mr. Fenn highlighted the increases in the budget as the following:

Staffing	1.6%	\$50,140 – this figure represents raises
Benefits	7.4%	\$69,346
Special Education	19.2%	\$193,180
Guidance	26.8%	\$26,689- this figure represents hiring ½ time hiring of Guidance Counselor
Building Repairs	11.2%	\$45,530
Teachers Contract	4.6%	\$84,198

The moderator asked for questions or discussion from the audience, being none he moved the article to the official ballot

Yes 420 *No 476

ARTICLE 4

Shall the School District vote to raise and appropriate up to twenty-five thousand(\$25,000.00) to be added to the school district Special Education Trust Fund previously established, with such amount to be funded from the year end undesignated fund balance available on June 30,2000.

Recommended by the School Board School Board

(Budget Advisory Committee recommends approval)

Christine Stoddard moved the article, and Dana Whipple seconded it. Mrs. Stoddard explained this article was a repeat of last year's request. She felt it belonged in this fund versus going to the Town. Town Manager, John Wheeler, questioned this statement. Mr. Wheeler felt this surplus would reduce the school rate and not the town portion. Resident, Burt Thompson asked what if the surplus was more than \$25,000. Mrs. Stoddard explained she would like to see that happen, but felt the amount was a realistic figure. There was no further discussion, and the moderator moved the article to the official ballot.

***Yes 600 No 295**

ARTICLE 5

Shall the School District purchase a full size school bus and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$58,000.00 for this purpose.

(Recommended by the School Board School Board)

(Budget Advisory Committee recommends approval)

Shaun Carroll moved the article, and Koko Feeney seconded it. The moderator asked for discussion, and resident, Arlene Adams asked what we do with the old buses. Mr. Carroll explained we will trade or sell privately, whatever brings more revenue. There was no further discussion, and the moderator moved the article to the official ballot.

***Yes 622 No 274**

ARTICLE 6

Shall the School District repair the windows and roof of the Sunapee Central Elementary School and raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000.00 for this purpose.

(Recommended by the School Board School Board)

(Budget Advisory Committee recommends approval)

Dana Whipple moved the article, and Jolyon Johnson seconded it. Dana Whipple explained that \$60,000 would be used to replace the roof and \$15,000 to replace windows that don't open or close in the original building. Resident, Paula Flanders asked if the roof would be replaced or repaired. Mr. Whipple explained this money would replace the roof and add insulation where needed. There was no further discussion, and the moderator moved the article to the official ballot.

***Yes 760 No 139**

ARTICLE 7

Shall the School District raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 and place said funds into the School Facilities Capital Reserve Fund? (A vote at an annual school district meeting is required in order to spend any funds from this Capital Reserve Fund)

(Recommended by the School Board School Board)

(Budget Advisory Committee recommends approval)

Christine Stoddard moved the article, and Jolyon Johnson seconded it. There were no questions or discussion, so the moderator moved the article to the official ballot.

***Yes 578 No 319**

ARTICLE 8

Shall the School District vote to authorize the school board to enter into a three -year lease/purchase agreement for the purpose of lease/purchasing computer technology, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,500.00 for the current lease payment, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,500.00 as a one-time expense for related computer software and hardware. Total requested expenditure for school year 2000-2001 is \$38,000.00. This lease agreement contains an “escape” clause.

(Recommended by the School Board School Board)

(Budget Advisory Committee does not recommend approval)

Christine Stoddard moved the article, and Jolyon Johnson seconded it. Selectmen, Bill Schraff asked for an explanation of why the Budget Advisory Committee did not recommend passage of this article. Tina Naime, Chairperson of the Budget Advisory Committee felt the committee was not given enough detail on this article especially what was going to happen at the High School. Christine Stoddard explained this would bring 20 new desktop computers – 10 in each school. These would replace all 386’s and some 486’s. This article would also upgrade the servers that connect the students to the town, library and the world. Mrs. Stoddard stated they decided to try the lease program, as this was a suggestion of residents from the 1999 School District Meeting. Resident, Deb McGrath asked about the \$100,000 in capital outlay a few years ago. Mrs. Stoddard explained this article is for necessary upgrades and maintenance on equipment purchased at that time. Mrs. Stoddard also noted that the Sunapee School District is very fortunate to have Dan Hudkins who oversees the technology. There was no further discussion, and the moderator moved the article to the official ballot.

Yes 428 *No 466

ARTICLE 9

Shall the School District make certain repairs to the Sherburne Gym as detailed in the District’s capital improvements plan for 2000/2001 and raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000.00 for this purpose.

(Recommended by the School Board School Board)

(Budget Advisory Committee recommends approval)

Jolyon Johnson moved the article, and Dana Whipple seconded it. Jolyon Johnson explained this money would be used to install emergency exits, upgrade electrical, making the bathrooms in the entrance handicap accessible and the painting & tiling of those bathrooms. Mr. Johnson also explained they do have a

capital improvement process in effect to look at all school buildings to get an overview of all repairs necessary in our school buildings. There was no further discussion, and the moderator moved the article to the official ballot.

***Yes 694 No 202**

ARTICLE 10

Shall the School District raise and appropriate the sum of \$48,000.00 as a deficit appropriation to be added to the 1999-2000 school budget to cover the increase in the special education costs.

(Recommended by the School Board School Board)

(Budget Advisory Committee recommends approval)

Dana Whipple moved the article, and Koko Feeney seconded it. Mr. Whipple explained this is to cover additional caseworkers. There was no further discussion, and the moderator moved the article to the official ballot.

***Yes 558 No 330**

ARTICLE 11

Shall the School District raise and appropriate a sum of \$125,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing the Sorento property, map 22 lot 29 of the Town of Sunapee tax maps, if it becomes available, during fiscal year 2000-2001.

(Recommended by the School Board School Board)

(Budget Advisory Committee does not recommend approval)

Shaun Carroll moved the article, and Jolyon Johnson seconded it. Shaun Carroll explained the foremost reason for requesting this article is for safety reason. The present playground at the Elementary School is actually in the road to the Sorento property. Mr. Sorento indicated he would give the school the first right of refusal on the property. Mr. Carroll informed voters that the Sorento's have been very good neighbors to the school, and if the property is sold to another party we will not have any guarantees. Resident, Genelle Richards asked if there is another access to this property. Mr. Carroll explained there might be in the future through the Fox property that is proposed for development. Tina Naime explained the Budget Advisory Committee agreed with the safety issue, but felt the School Board needed to do more research before purchasing the property. Resident, Kathy Meyer felt we should pass the article, as this would give us protection we need. Mr. Carroll felt while had the chance we should buy it. Resident, Arthur Osborne says he does not mind buying the property, but had read the school board was anticipating selling the property. Jolyon Johnson said he takes responsibility for that comment, but the piece of property is much more valuable to the school to keep as they need the acreage for future expansion and to receive funding. There was no further discussion, and the moderator moved the article to the official ballot.

Yes 366 *No 525

ARTICLE 12

Shall the School District vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Sunapee School Board and the Sunapee Teachers’ Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

YEAR	ESTIMATED INCREASE
2000-2001	\$84,198.00
2001-2002	\$85,386.00
2002-2003	\$86,967.00

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$84,198.00 for the 2000-2001 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriations at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year.

**(Recommended by the School Board School Board)
(Budget Advisory Committee recommends approval)**

Christine Stoddard moved the article, and Jolyon Johnson seconded it. Christine Stoddard praised our school staff indicating that she did not realize how much of a volunteer base we have with our teachers. Tina Naime indicated the Budget Advisory recommends this article. There was no further discussion, and the moderator moved the article to the official ballot.

***Yes 538 No 360**

Moderator, Harry Gale asked if there were any other matters to come before the meeting. Town Manager, John Wheeler welcomed all to attend deliberative session of Town Meeting on Wednesday, February 9, 2000 at 6:30 pm.

The deliberative session adjourned at 8:27pm.

Betty H. Ramspott
School Clerk

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HEALTH OFFICER.....	763-2073
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SELECTMEN'S OFFICE HOURS: M,Tu, Th, F 8AM-5PM, W 8AM-1PM	763-2212
THRIFT SHOP HOURS: Tu 3PM-6PM, Th 6PM-8PM, Sat, 9:30	NONE
TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR HOURS: M 9AM-6PM, Tu, Th, F 9AM-5PM, W 9AM-1PM, Second & Fourth Sat, 9AM-NOON.....	763-2449
TOWN MANAGER.....	763-2212
TRANSFER STATION HOURS: M, Th, F, Sat, 8AM-4:30PM Sun, 8AM-NOON.....	763-4614
WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT	763-2121
WATER AND SEWER OFFICE	763-2115
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FOR BOTH TOWN AND SCHOOL BUDGETS

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